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James 1:1-18

The Trials and Temptations of the Christian Life

What is the normal Christian life?

What should we expect our Christian life to be like?

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1. James 1:1

- **Who is James?**

2. James 1:2-4

- **Is that how you respond to troubles?**
- **Is endurance a commodity that is easy to come by?**
- **Would you describe your life as A. surviving, or B. thriving?**
- **What needs to change A. our situation or B. our thinking?**

3. James 1:5-8

- **Is there anyone who would like the ability to make wise decisions in difficult circumstances?**
- **Would you describe your faith life as A. single minded, or B. double minded?**
- **If your loyalty is divided between God and the world, then what should you expect when you ask God for things?**

4. James 1:9-11

- **Is that a change from the way our culture is thinking?**
- **What is it God values most?**

5. James 1:12-15

- **Testing and temptations, what are they good for?**
- **Does it say “IF” you are tempted or “when”?**
- **Temptations, where do they come from?**
- **In Mathew 4:1-11 How was Jesus tempted?**
- **What does 1 Corinthians 10:13 say to encourage us?**
- **What is Hebrews 4:15 saying to encourage us?**

6. James 1:16-18

- **What are some of the deceptions of the world and Devil that have been exposed today?**
- **Would this be Godly thinking? Romans 8:28**
- **Jesus offers us a “New Birth”. Have you received this “New” life?**

- **What do I need to change to show Him more?**
- **Will I do that today?**