**Distracted. Part 1 Pastor David King**

**Trials**

(James 1:1-2) **1**James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ,

To the twelve tribes scattered among the nations: Greetings. **2**Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds,

(Proverbs 17:3) The crucible for silver and the furnace for gold, but the Lord tests the heart.

1. **Recognize what’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ going on.**

(James 1:2-3) **2**Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, **3**because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance.

1. **Cooperate with God’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

(James 1:4) Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

(Romans 5:3-4) **3**Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; **4**perseverance, character; and character, hope.

(1 Peter 1 6-7) **6**In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. **7**These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed.

1. **Ask for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

(James 1:5) If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.

1. **Keep a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

(James 1:6-7) **6**But when you ask, you must believe and not doubt, because the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind. **7**That person should not expect to receive anything from the Lord.

**Temptations**

1. **Recognize the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of temptation.**

(James 1:13) When tempted, no one should say, “God is tempting me.” For God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does he tempt anyone;

1. **Understand the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of temptation.**

(James 1:14-15) **14**but each person is tempted when they are dragged away by their own evil desire and enticed. **15**Then, after desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, gives birth to death.

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1. **Learn how to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ temptation.**

(James 1:16-17) **16**Don’t be deceived, my dear brothers and sisters. **17**Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.

1. **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with Jesus.**

(James 1:18 NLT) He gave us our new lives through the truth of His Word only because He wanted to. We are the first children in His family.

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