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Tests, Trials and Troubleshooting – Training for the Trial You Are Not Yet In!

Turn in your Bibles to: James Ch. 1

- What is the one thing that amazes Jesus? YOUR _____!
- Why do we have tests and trials? What are they intended to produce? **Trials. Test. Faith.**

T - _____ for Godliness, Holiness, Usefulness, Effectiveness, Fruitfulness, Courageousness ☺

E - _____, Steadfastness, Patience, Perseverance, Character, Maturity, GRIT!

S - _____ God can be glorified

T - _____ Preparation

What are tests and trials producing in your life? (Circle all that apply)

Anxiety Frustration Worry Resentment Emotional Fatigue Cluttered Mind
Unhealthy Habits Dysfunctional Relationships Lack of Discipline Exhaustion Stress

Deuteronomy 8:2

“Remember how the LORD your God led you all the way in the wilderness these forty years, to humble and **test** you in order to know what was in your heart, whether or not you would keep his commands.

John 6:5-6

“Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, “Where are we to buy bread, **so that** these people may eat?” He said this to **test him**, for he himself knew what he would do.” (ESV)

Job 23:10

“He knows the way that I take and when he has **tested** me, I will come forth as gold.” (NIV)

Job 42: 1-3

“Job answered GOD: “I’m convinced: You can do anything and everything. Nothing and no one can upset your plans. You asked, ‘Who is this muddying the water, ignorantly confusing the issue, second-guessing my purposes? I admit it. I was the one. I babbled on about things far beyond me, made small talk about wonders way over my head.” (MSG)

Colossians 1:9-12

“For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you. We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives, **so that** you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might **so that** you may have great endurance and patience, and giving joyful thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of his holy people in the kingdom of light.” (NIV)