

James 1:12-18

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Review

- vv 2-4 – Faithful Endurance in Trials Leading to Perfection/Completion of God's Work
- vv 5-8 – Seeking Wisdom
 - We are not perfected/complete yet; where to get what we lack?
 - Asking God in Faith
- vv 9-11 – Opportunity for Endurance
 - Humble Circumstances – lack of material things
 - Humbling Circumstances – material things being removed

James 1:12-18 – Trial/Response/Result

- James 1:2-4 – Joy of Trials:
 - Trials of Faith
 - Testing produces Endurance
 - Faithful Endurance brought to completion: that you may be lacking in nothing
- James 1:12 – Blessing of Trials:
 - Trials
 - Response: What is the nature of this Response?
 - Result: What is the Result?

James 1:13-16 – Trial/Response

- Danger of Trials
 - v. 13 – “Do not Say...”
 - v. 16 – “Do not be Deceived...”
 - What is James worried about?
- Our Response to Trials
 - What is a natural response posited here?
 - Why is this dangerous?
 - What does this response reveal?

James 1:13-16 – Wrong Response/Result

- Wrong Response – Giving in to Temptation
 - NOT because God is tempting me...
 - Then What is Happening?
 - Where are my temptations coming from?
 - What is happening when I give in to temptation?
 - Riding on my own desires
 - Allowing Lust / Desires to give birth & grow Sin
 - Sin when “Perfected” brings Death

James 1:16-18 – Right Response

- v. 16 “Do not be deceived...”
 - vv. 13-15 – What does not come from God
 - vv. 17-18 – What does come from God
- What does come from God (v. 4, 5, 12)?
 - v. 15 What comes from God?
 - How does God’s Nature/Character impact what comes from Him?

James 1:16-18 – Right Result

- Right Result (v. 18):
 - Who is acting here?
 - What is being done?
 - What does this mean to us?
 - What is the significance of “First Fruits”?

