

"Blessed is the man who endures trial, because, having been approved, he will receive the crown of life that He has promised to those loving Him"
(James 1:12, BSB).

Have you ever been in a situation and wondered just how in the world did you get there? Did you know this is a time that tests your faith by giving you opportunities like this to trust Him? Being led by the Spirit of God can be difficult at times because the heart can be divided (Hosea 10:2).

The truth is your life is made up of daily decisions. Your mind and emotions (soul) are deeply involved in what you decide to do or don't do. Your emotions or thoughts will influence your direction in many ways and sometimes in the wrong way!

I have to ask you: Do you feel like you are stuck? Do you feel like you are in a situation where there seems to be no way out of the mess? Are you finding yourself completely at odds and outside of your own ability or strength? Does your life seem to be going backward or going the wrong way? Are feeling like you are heading in a different place from what you expected?

"The Bible was written over a 1600 year period (60 generations). More than 40 people from various walks of life, such as fisherman and kings, wrote parts of it. Parts of the Bible were written in the wilderness, in palaces, and in jails. It was written in war and during peace. It was written on several continents, including Asia, Europe, and Africa" (excerpt from Basics of Christian Life by Bill Greenman, pg 21).

Every written Word from start to finish is all about humanity trusting Him or not. Trusting Him is a decision only you can make and anything that is not based on faith is sin (Romans 14:23). To do this you must take on the mind of Christ (1 Corinthians 2:16) and let go of those things that work in opposition to God's Word.

Every story in the Word shows how an individual can have either a heart of unbelief (Hebrews 3:12) or how they can trust the Lord with all their heart (Proverbs 3:5). The good news is (and it's always good news), a heart that is in agreement with God will be able to express and walk in the things of God.

"Can two walk together, except they be agreed?" (Amos 3:3). Any thing that contradicts God's Word is a deception of evil and leads you in the wrong direction. You are going in the wrong direction concerning areas of your life! You have not allowed His influence to help you.

Your spirit is complete and lacks nothing in Holy Spirit's presence and you are complete in Him – (Colossians 2:9-10). It is completely possible for you to be steadfast and

immovable (1 Corinthians 15:58) but you must sanctify yourself in His Word! He is calling you to stop trusting yourself.

Remember, anything that is not based on faith is sin. Today is call to get rid of those wrongs things you've been walking in. Repent for your self-reliant thinking, repent for not walking in faith and turn to Him for strength to complete this part of the journey. Your spirit will gain ascendancy in your life as you get your heart to be in agreement with God.

God will accomplish things outside of your natural abilities but can only happen when you trust Him. God is calling you to trust Him—to walk by faith (Matthew 14:31).

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