



OVERCOMING TRIALS AND TEMPTATIONS

James,
a <u>servant</u> (bond-Servant) of God
and of the Lord Jesus Christ,
To the twelve tribes
in the <u>Dispersion: (Scattered)</u>
Greetings.

James 1:1

A refugee is a person who has been forced to leave their home country due to well-founded fears of religious, political or ethnic persecution, violence, war, or other lifethreatening circumstances.



Global Diaspora

- 1. Syria.
- 2. Ukraine. ...
- 3. Afghanistan. ...
- 4. South Sudan. ...
- 5. The Rohingya crisis. ...
- 6. Democratic Republic of Congo. ...
- 7. Sudan. ...
- 8. Somalia....

Consider it all joy, my brothers and sisters, when you meet trials of various kinds, for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness. And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.

James 1:2-4

In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. These have come so that your faith--of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire-may be proved genuine and may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed.

1 Peter 1:6-7

The brother in humble circumstances ought to take pride in his high position. But the one who is rich should take pride in his low position, because he will pass away like a wild flower.

James 1:9-10

Blessed is the man who <u>perseveres</u> under trial, because when he has stood the test, he will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who <u>love him</u>.

James 1:12

For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision has any value. The only thing that counts is <u>faith expressing itself through love</u>.

Galatians 5:6-7

When tempted, no one should say, "God is tempting me." For God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does he tempt anyone; but each one is tempted when, by his own evil desire, he is dragged away and enticed. Then, after desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, gives birth to death.

James 1:13-15

Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

James 1:16-18

APPLICATION

Is there any trial that you are going through where you need to "consider" that the Lord can use it to deepen your faith and love for Him?

Is there any "bait" you are holding onto and refusing to let go of?