

# A FAITH THAT WORKS

The Book of James



## TROUBLE

Barry White | June 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2023

### MARK 6:3 (NLT2)

<sup>3</sup> Then they scoffed, “He’s just a carpenter, the son of Mary and the brother of James, Joseph, Judas, and Simon. And his sisters live right here among us.” They were deeply offended and refused to believe in him.

### MATTHEW 1:16 (NLT2)

<sup>16</sup> Jacob was the father of Joseph, the husband of Mary. Mary gave birth to Jesus, who is called the Messiah.

### JAMES 1:1 (NLT2)

<sup>1</sup> This letter is from James, a slave of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ. I am writing to the “twelve tribes”—Jewish believers scattered abroad. Greetings!

### JOHN 3:30 (NLT2)

<sup>30</sup> He must become greater and greater, and I must become less and less.

### GALATIANS 4:19 (NLT2)

<sup>19</sup> Oh, my dear children! I feel as if I’m going through labor pains for you again, and they will continue until Christ is fully developed in your lives.

## 1. TROUBLES ARE AN OPPORTUNITY TO GROW.

### JAMES 1:2-5 (NLT2)

<sup>2</sup> Dear brothers and sisters, when troubles come your way, consider it an opportunity for great joy. <sup>3</sup> For you know that when your faith is tested, your endurance has a chance to grow. <sup>4</sup> So let it grow, for when your endurance is fully developed, you will be perfect and complete, needing nothing. <sup>5</sup> If you need wisdom, ask our generous God, and he will give it to you. He will not rebuke you for asking.

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## 2. TROUBLES ARE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR BLESSING.

### JAMES 1:12 (NLT2)

<sup>12</sup> God blesses those who patiently endure testing and temptation. Afterward they will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love him.

## 3. TROUBLE GIVES YOU A CHANCE TO TAKE AN HONEST LOOK AT YOURSELF.

### JAMES 1:23-25 (NIV)

<sup>23</sup> Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like a man who looks at his face in a mirror <sup>24</sup> and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. <sup>25</sup> But the man who looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues to do this, not forgetting what he has heard, but doing it--he will be blessed in what he does.

### SERMON NOTES

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### MY NEXT STEP: (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)

- I MADE THE DECISION TO TRUST IN JESUS CHRIST TODAY
- I AM READY TO GET BAPTIZED
- I AM INTERESTED IN JOINING A CONNECT GROUP
- I WILL ATTEND GROW CLASSES TO VOLUNTEER

### PRAYER REQUESTS OR PRAISE:

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