

# JAMES 1 OUTLINE

## I. PURPOSE OF GOD (Ja.1:1-12) — Demands WISDOM from God's Word

### A. What About Trials

1. Trials Come to Test the Strength of Our Faith
2. Trials Come to Humble Us
3. Trials Come to Wean Us From Worldly Things
4. Trials Make Me Want to Go to Heaven
5. Trials Reveal What We Really Love

### B. How To of Trials

1. It Takes a JOYOUS ATTITUDE (v.2)
2. It Takes an UNDERSTANDING MIND (v.3)
3. It Takes a SUBMISSIVE WILL (v.4)
4. It Takes a BELIEVING HEART (v.5-8)
5. It Takes a HUMBLE SPIRIT (v.9-11)

**[God's "perfect" WORK  
(Ja.1-12)]**  
**His Purpose to Mature Us**

## II. GOODNESS OF GOD (Ja.1:13-18) — Demands POWER from God's Word

### A. Trials & Temptations Contrast

### B. Trials & Temptations Mechanics

**[God's "perfect" GIFT  
(Ja.1:13-18)]**  
**His Goodness in Times of Testing**

## III. WORD OF GOD — How To RECEIVE The Word (Ja.1:19-21)

### A. Willing to Receive God's Word with SUBMISSION

1. "swift to hear" (v.19)
2. "slow to speak" (v.19)
3. "slow to wrath" (v.19-20)

### B. Willing to Receive God's Word with PURITY

- "Lay aside all filthiness... wickedness" (v.21)

### C. Willing to Receive God's Word with HUMILITY

- "receive with meekness the implanted word" (v.21)

## IV. HEARERS vs. DOERS (v.22-27) — How You REACT To The Word

### A. "Hearers only" of the Word (v.25) — Auditors of life

1. Short glance (v.22-24, "hearers only")
2. Long glance (v.25, "continues in it")

### B. "Doer" of the Word

1. It will show in PURE SPEECH
  - "bridle his tongue" (v.26)
2. It will show in your RELATIONSHIP with others
  - "pure and undefiled" (v.27)
3. It will show in HOLY LIVING TOWARD GOD
  - "keep oneself unspotted from the world" (v.27)

**[God's "perfect" LAW  
(Ja.1:19-27)]**  
**His Word to Strengthen Us**