

The Bright Side of Dark Days

Series: 1 Peter - Strength in Times of Suffering

1 Peter 1:6-9

Trails are

1 Peter 1:6 ESV In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials

Trails are

1 Peter 1:7 ESV so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

“God has not been trying an experiment on my faith or love in order to find out their quality. He knew it already. It was I who didn’t ... He always knew that my temple was a house of cards. His only way of making me realize that was to knock it down.”

C.S. Lewis

James 1:2 ESV Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, [3] for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness. [4] And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.

Trials are

1 Peter 1:8 ESV Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, [9] obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Romans 8:18 ESV For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.