

Introduction

INTRODUCTION TO CHRISTIAN ENDURANCE

James 1:4 - Testing of faith produces endurance

What does endurance look like when fully developed?

1. TROUBLE AND TRUST

How does trouble affect trust in God?

Endurance means circumstances don't redefine God's faithfulness.

2. DELAY AND CONFIDENCE

James 5:7 - Farmer waits patiently for the harvest

How does waiting test our confidence in God?

3. TEMPTATION RECOGNIZED

James 1:14 - Temptation comes from our own desires

How does maturity affect recognizing temptation?

4. OBEDIENCE WITHOUT IMMEDIATE REWARD

Why obey when nothing improves immediately?

5. BECOMING HARDER TO PROVOKE

James 1:19 - Be quick to listen, slow to anger _____

How does endurance affect emotional responses? _____

6. REJECTING EASIER CHRISTIANITY

What does it mean to stop negotiating discipleship? _____

7. FAITH WITHOUT KNOWING THE END

James 5:11 - Job's endurance despite unanswered questions _____

How does faith endure without knowing the outcome? _____

WHEN ENDURANCE HAS DONE ITS WORK

Endurance makes faith dependable, not sinless perfection.

What changes in faith after enduring trials? _____

SUMMARY OF CHRISTIAN ENDURANCE

Faith becomes stable despite pain, questions, and hardship.

What is the simplest description of mature endurance? _____

INVITATION TO FAITH AND RENEWAL

Who needs to respond to Christ's invitation today? _____