

STUDY GUIDE

Make Room For Trials

WEEK OF December 16, 2018 James 1:2-4

CONNECT

1. What impacted you the most from Pastor Troy's message?

GROW

2. Read James 1:2-4. According to James, what should be a Christian's attitude when facing trials, and what do you think that looks like in "real life"?

3. How often is joy your attitude in your own hard times? What would need to change in order for you to face your current (or a future) trial with joy?

4.	Why is perseverance important when it comes to trials we face in life? What reward comes with persevering in the faith?
5.	In what specific ways does suffering provide an opportunity for believers to show they believe in Jesus and rejoice? How is Jesus' life a model for this?
6.	Read Romans 5:1-5. What two things did Paul say we can rejoice in because of God's grace? Which of Paul's stated reasons for rejoicing is a little tougher for you to swallow and why?
7.	What are normal human responses to suffering? How do these compare to Paul's teaching?
8.	Out of the areas of suffering, perseverance, character, and hope, where is God working in your life right now? How is He working?

9. What incident in your life can you look back on and see the truth of Romans 5:3-5?	f the verses in
10.In verse 5, Paul mentioned the Holy Spirit. What is the Holy Spirit's suffering?	role in our
GO 11. How did the message or study guide on trials change your perspecthings happen to good people?" How can trials be a means of God us near Him and protect us from lukewarm faith?	
12. How can persevering faith in times of trials draw others to the truth Who do you need to reach out to this week to encourage and show	

