

Sermon Resources

Sermon: From Burden to Breakthrough

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WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW?

James 1:1-12

TRIALS AREN'T OBSTACLES, THEY'RE OPPORTUNITES.

WISDOM ISN'T GIVEN TO THE CURIOUS, IT'S GIVEN TO THE COMMITTED.

DON'T QUIT, THE PRIZE IS WORTH THE PAIN.

(SERMON IN A SENTENCE) Growth comes when you stop looking for a way out and start trusting God's way through.

MEMORY VERSE

Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds...

James 1:2

WHAT DO I NEED TO ASK?

- ICEBREAKER: Share a time when something hard—maybe a tough workout, class, or project—ended up helping you grow. What happened?
- What challenge is front-and-center for you this week?
- How could that challenge become an opportunity for growth instead of an obstacle?
- When trials come, what's your go-to move—pray, reach out to a friend, scroll your phone, etc.? What *actually* helps and what only *distracts*?
- What small daily habit would help you keep going when things get tough?
- Who needs to hear how you've kept going so they can keep going too?
- Where do you feel torn between trusting God and doing it your own way?
- God gives wisdom to the committed—not the curious. How can you stay committed, so that you can receive the wisdom that God gives?
- Picture the "crown of life" for ten seconds. What one action today moves you closer to that finish line?
- Instead of asking "How fast can I get out?" ask "What is God teaching me through this?" What lesson might be forming right now?