

## I. FACTS ABOUT TRIALS.

- A. They are inevitable (2)"encounter (or "fall into")
- B. They are diverse. "various trials."
- C. No one is exempt (9-11).
- D. They serve a purpose.

## The Purpose of Trials:

- 1. They produce endurance.
- 2. They make us mature and complete.

"We grow taller through testing."

## II. OUR RESPONSIBILITY IN TRIALS (2-8).

A. Consider it all joy (2).

"Joy is genuine peace, a right attitude, a heart of contentment, and honest submission to the will and purpose of God."

John 15:11 – "These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be made full."

**B.** Be Patient

C. Seek wisdom from God (5-8)

## III. THE REWARD FOR ENDURANCE (12).

The Crown of Life



