

Patience, Experience and Hope. (KJV)

NKJV: perseverance, character (**AMP:** spiritual maturity), and hope.

YLT: endurance, experience, and hope.

1 Cor 13:13 - And now abides faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity.

Proverbs 13:12 Hope deferred makes the heart sick: but when the desire comes, it is a tree of life.

Hebrews 11:6 But without faith it is impossible to please Him: for he that comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently/earnestly seek Him. **YLT:** He (God) becomes a rewarder.

Hebrews 12:6&11 For whom the Lord loveth He chastens and scourges every son whom He receives. Now no chastening for the present seems to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby.

2 Corinthians 13:5a Examine yourselves, whether you be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know you not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you,

Romans 5:1-5

1. Therefore, being **justified by faith**, we have **peace** with God **through** our Lord Jesus Christ:
2. By whom also we have **access by faith** into this **grace** wherein we **stand** and rejoice in **hope** of the glory of God.
3. And not only so, but we **glory in tribulations** also: knowing that **tribulation** works patience;
4. And **patience, experience**; and experience, **hope**:
5. And **hope makes not ashamed**; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts **by** the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

θλίψις **tribulation** (Strong's #2347: from thlibo; pressure (literally or figuratively) - afflicted, anguish, burdened, persecution, tribulation, trouble. The term therefore gathers all that threatens the people of God **and sets the stage for divine intervention**).

ἐλπίς **hope** (Strong's #1680: from a primary elpo to anticipate, usually with pleasure); expectation (abstractly or concretely) or confidence: faith, hope. Properly, expectation of what is sure (certain); hope.

James 1:2-4 My brethren, count it all joy **when you fall** into diverse temptations; knowing this, that the **trying of your faith** works **patience**. But **let** patience have her perfect work, that you may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.

1 Corinthians 10:13 here hath no temptation taken you but such as is **common** to man: but God is faithful, who **will not suffer** you to be tempted **above** that you are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to **escape**, that you may be able to **bear** it.

1 Peter 1:7 That the **trial of your faith**, being much more precious than of gold that perishes, though it be tried with **fire**, might be found unto **praise and honour and glory** at the appearing of Jesus Christ:

Hebrews 12:2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher **of our faith**; who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, **despising the shame**, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Galatians 2:16 Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the **faith of Jesus Christ**, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be **justified by the faith of Christ**, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.

Romans 1:17 For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from **faith to faith**: as it is written, the just shall live by faith.

Romans 12:3 For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as **God hath dealt** to every man the measure of faith.

Psalms 42:12 Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? **hope thou in God**: for I shall yet **praise** Him, who is the health of my countenance, and my God.

Psalms 55:22 Cast your burden upon the LORD and He will sustain you; He will never let the righteous be shaken

Psalms 62:5-8 5 My soul, **wait thou** only upon God; for **my expectation is from Him**. He only is my rock and my salvation: He is my **defence**; I shall not be moved. **In God** is my salvation and my **glory**: the rock of my strength, and my refuge, is **in God**. **Trust in Him at all times**; you people, **pour out** your heart before Him: God is a **refuge** for us. Selah.

Isaiah 26:3 Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee: because he trusts in Thee.

Hebrews 4:14-16 Seeing then that **we have a great high priest**, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us **hold fast our profession**. For we **have not** an high priest **which cannot** be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore **come boldly** unto the throne of grace, **that we may obtain mercy, and find grace** to help **in time** of need

Daniel 6:23 So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no manner of hurt was found upon him, **because he believed in his God**.

Some reasons why God allows trials and tribulations

John 16:33 These things I have spoken unto you, that in me you might have peace. In the world you shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.

1. Afflictions teach us perseverance.

James 1:2-4 My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into diverse temptations; Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience. But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.

2. To discipline us.

Hebrews 12:5-6 And you have forgotten the exhortation which is addressed to you as sons, "My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor faint when you are reprov'd by Him; for those whom the Lord loves He disciplines, and He scourges every son whom He receives."

3. To keep us humble.

2 Corinthians 12:7 And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure.

4. To develop strength of character.

Romans 5:3-5 Not only that, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out His love into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, whom He has given us.

5. Sometimes our trials comes as a result of our mistakes.

Proverbs 19:2-3 "Also, that the soul be without knowledge, it is not good; and he that hastens with his feet sins. The foolishness of man perverts his way: and his heart frets against the LORD.

Galatians 6:5 For every man shall bear his own burden.

6. To be able to comfort others.

2 Corinthians 1:4-6 Who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God. For as the sufferings of Christ abound in us, so our consolation also abound by Christ. And whether we be afflicted, it is for your consolation and salvation, which is effectual in the enduring of the same sufferings which we also suffer: or whether we be comforted, it is for your consolation and salvation. And our hope of you is steadfast, knowing, that as ye are partakers of the sufferings, so shall ye be also of the consolation.

7. For eternal glory.

2 Corinthians 4:16-18 For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day. 17For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory; 18While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.

1 Peter 1:5-9 Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. Wherein you greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, you are in heaviness through manifold temptations: that the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perishes, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ: whom having not seen, you love; in whom, though now you see Him not, yet believing, you rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory: receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls.