

Transformation During Trials

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Introduction: A Personal Testimony of Trials and Blessings

- Timeline of challenges
- Major trials often arrive when there is little margin left.

I. Trials Are Opportunities for Transformation

- James 1:2-5, Philippians 1:6
- Biblical joy is confidence in God's transforming work
 - **Principle #1: Trials are divine favor, resulting in faith, patience and perfecting God's work in us.**

II. What Hinders Transformation in God's Presence?

- 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18; John 14:14
- Compartmentalize our circumstances and leave circumstances outside the gate
- Worship before you ask
- Listen before speaking
- Pray in the Spirit
 - **Principle #2: Transformative prayer creates an environment to hear God clearly.**

III. God Wants to Use Our Trials for His Glory

- Revelation 19:10
- Transformation impacts others through testimony
 - **Principle #3: In trials, God's glory should illuminate our surroundings creating testimonies of Jesus.**

Final Application: Rigid or Transformed?

- Isotropic (rigid) vs Anisotropic (transformable)
- Revelation 21:18-20 the 12 Anisotropic Stones
- Revelation 21:23 The New Jerusalem
 - **Principle #4: No matter how the Holy Spirit chooses to manifest, we are conduits of God's pure light.**

- **Principle #5: No matter where we are during trials we must be projecting God's light into a dark world.**

Final Thoughts

- **God works ahead of our understanding in every trial**
- **God wants to use our trials for His Glory**
- **Trials that produce transformation are divine blessings and encounters.**

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