

试炼 #1 TRIALS #1

你是否知道一些人，他们的生活中有难处，有问题？你可能会说，当然啦，每一个人都是有难处的嘛。

如果你遇到了麻烦，欢迎你给我们写信。如果你什么麻烦都没有，那就更要请你给我们写信，可以告诉我们你是怎样避开生活中的麻烦的。

的确，我们所有的人都是会遇到麻烦和问题的。如果你想要找到一个不会有任何问题或者麻烦的特殊的地方，那就去墓地那儿找吧，只有躺在坟墓里的人们才会结束他们的问题。事实上，只要我们还活在这个世界上当中，我们就必然会遇见种种试炼的！

圣经对于麻烦和试炼有一些看似奇怪的教训：

比如，圣经吩咐我们说：“凡事谢恩；因为这是神在基督耶稣里向你们所定的旨意。”乃是记载在帖撒罗尼迦前书5:18。

你是否还记得，你最近的一次站在教会的聚会当中，为自己所遭受的患难来感谢神，是什么时候吗？要知道，如果不是神直接导致了你所受的患难，也是神允许它发生在你身上的哦。

圣经里面的“有福了”可以解释为，认为你自己是幸运的：

假如你遭受到逼迫，“为义受逼迫的人有福了！因为天国是他们的。”马太福音5:10

假如你是贫穷的人，“你们贫穷的人有福了！因为神的国是你们的。”路加福音 6:20

假如你饥肠辘辘，“你们饥饿的人有福了！因为你们将要饱足。”路加福音6:21a

假如你伤心哭泣，“你们哀哭的人有福了！因为你们将要喜笑。”路加福音6:21b

假如人们憎恨你，“人为人子恨恶你们，拒绝你们，辱骂你们，弃掉你们的名，以为是恶，你们就有福了！”路加福音6:22

假如你受到了羞辱，要则“心里欢喜。因被算是配为这名受辱。”使徒行传5:41

假如你遇见了很大的灾难，“就是在患难中也是欢欢喜喜的...”罗马书 5:1-11

无论你遇到怎样的问题，圣经说，“我们晓得万事都互相效力，叫爱神的人得益处，就是按他旨意被召的人。”罗马书 8:28-39

如果你遇见了试炼和试探，“都要以为大喜乐...”雅各书 1:1-21, 彼得前书1:6-9

我们通常不会去享受试炼，但是当试炼真的临到的时候，我们仍然可以保持喜乐的心态。参见希伯来书12:11。

我们的实际处境是：“他又叫我们与基督耶稣一同复活，一同坐在天上”以弗所书2:6

但是我们怎么样才能在感觉到“腐烂”的时候还有喜乐呢？我们又如何能够把我们生活当中的诸多试炼转化成创造性的力量，并且让它们成就美好的结果呢？乃是要借助于学习和遵行那些跟试炼有关的真理。

首先你要弄清楚，你所遭受的麻烦不是因为自己“活在罪恶当中”的缘故。正如彼得前书2:20提醒我们的。圣经命令我们说，对于罪，我们必须做的就是：认罪，悔改，和胜过罪。

如果你是个诚心地希望在基督里长大成熟的人，请你一定要去好好查考以上所列出的经节，默想消化之后，切实地去遵行这些教训！单单阅读是不够的，你必须在生活中去体会和实行出来。你可以祈求那位住在你里面的圣灵，让他赐给你力量来遵行神的话语。并要常常祈求圣灵来帮助你生命之长进。

TRIALS #1

Do you know anybody with problems? Everybody has problems.

If you have troubles, write us. If you have none, write us and tell us how you avoid troubles.

Yes, all of us have problems. There is a special place for people without problems --- it is called a cemetery. As long as we live in this world, we will have trials!

The Bible has some strange things to say about troubles and trials:

We are commanded **“in everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.”**

1Thessalonians 5:18 When was the last time you stood up in a church meeting and thanked the Lord for a hardship He sent your way?

“blessed” consider yourself fortunate:

If you are persecuted, **“Blessed are those who have been persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”** Matthew 5:10

If you are poor, **“Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.”** Luke 6:20

If you are hungry, **“Blessed are you who hunger now, for you shall be satisfied.”** Luke 6:21a

If you weep, **“Blessed are you who weep now, for you shall laugh.”** Luke 6:21b

If men hate you, **“Blessed are you when men hate you...”** Luke 6:22

If you suffer shame, **“...rejoicing...they had been considered worthy to suffer shame for His name.”** Acts 5:41

If you have tribulations, **“...exult in tribulations...”** Romans 5:1-11

Whatever problem, **“And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.”** Romans 8:28-39

If you have trials, **“Consider it all joy...”** James 1:1-21, 1Peter 1:6-9

We are not, of course, to enjoy trials, but we are to be joyful in trials. Hebrews 12:11

We are **“...seated...with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus.”** Ephesians 2:6

But how can we rejoice when we feel “rotten”? How can we make a creative use of trials and turn them to good account in our lives? By learning and obeying tremendous truth about trials.

Be sure you are not experiencing troubles because you live in sin. 1Peter 2:20 The Bible commands us confess, repent and overcome sins.

If you are serious in growing to maturity in Christ, be sure to look up verses above, think upon them and obey them! Reading them is not enough, you must obey them. Ask the Holy Spirit in your life to give you power to obey them. Ask Him to cause growth in your life.