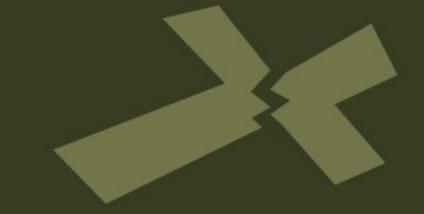
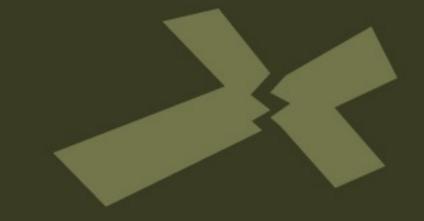


James 1:1-18

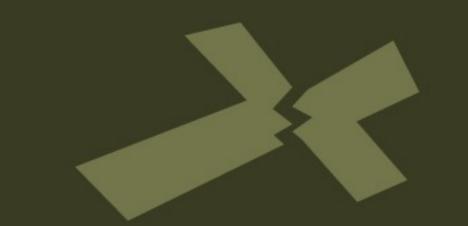


Following Jesus Together With Grit



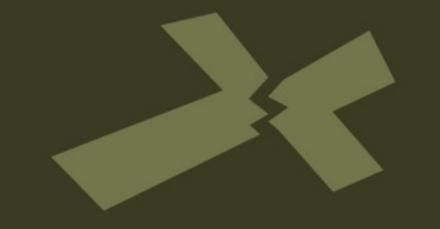
So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

James 2:17

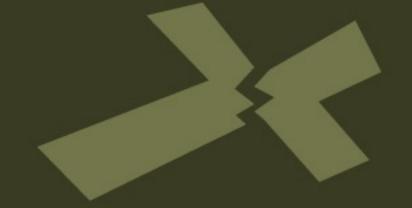


Legalism says: I obey, therefore I'm accepted.

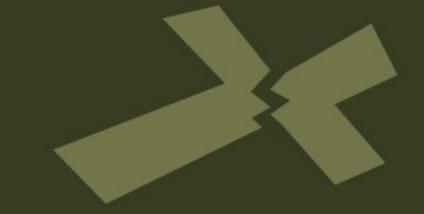
The Gospel says: I'm accepted, therefore I obey.



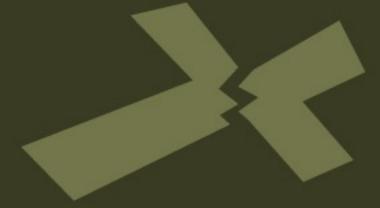
Living faith matures through trials.



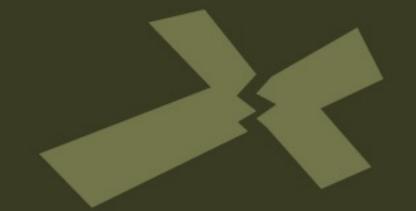
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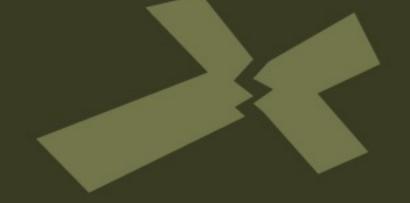




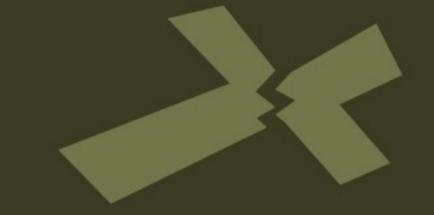


How do we mature through trials?

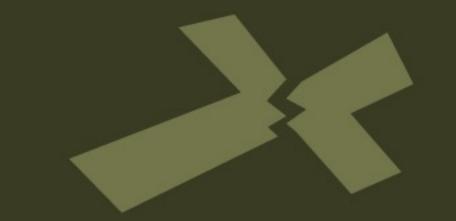




Maturing Through Trials: 1. We ask God for wisdom (v5-8)

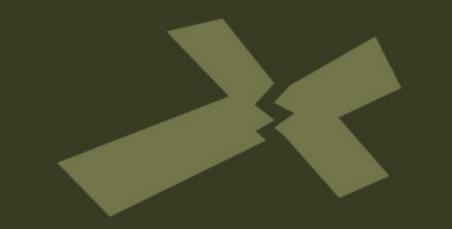


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- 2. We view ourselves rightly (v9-11)

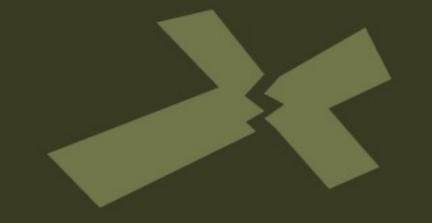


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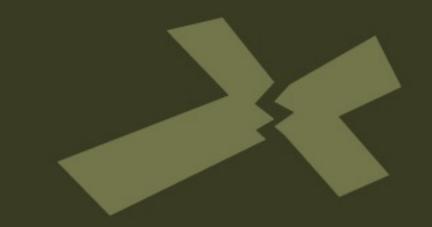
- 1. We ask God for wisdom (v5-8)
- 2. We view ourselves rightly (v9-11)
- 3. We live for God's reward (v12)
- 4. We trust in God's character (v13-18)



Since God has saved us from our sin, we can trust He will see us through our sorrow.



"What if [God's] plan for you is not success but drawing you so near to Him in your dependence, your disappointment, and your devastation that you become more like Christ?



The truth is that the Lord may not be committed to our success. But here's the promise in this: He is committed to His. And because of that, He is committed to us becoming more like His Son."

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