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Today's Scripture is Job 1 & 2

Proving the Devil Wrong

The Bible tells the truth about trials.

Reality / Guarantee:

... In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world." John 16:33 (1 Cor. 7:28)

Develops Maturity, if we're willing:

... we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope.

Romans 5:3-4 (James 1:2-4)

Many Troubles / God Can Deliver:

The righteous person may have many troubles, but the LORD delivers him from them all; Psalm 34:19 (Ps. 71:10)

Temporary / Not Permanent:

For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. 2 Cor. 4:17 (Gal. 6:9 Heb. 10:23)

<u>Clarifications</u>: Job was not a Jew. Job 1:1 **Blameless:** hard to criticize / mature **Upright:** in God's favor / integrity

In Trials, FAITH must be our F_{----} .

Job 1:6-12 & 2:

Believe . . .

God is in overall control.

Satan is not completely ______ of God.

God holds Satan accountable.

Satan is not always _____.

God puts limits on our suffering.

Satan _____ wants to destroy you!

Satan is _____ a lot!

In Trials, PURPOSE $P_{}$	us through
Live Listening to God more than people. 2:9 / chps Who's word do you most?	
Knowing Jesus is watching closely. Jesus clearly sees your	16:19
Knowing Jesus is your Friend. (interceding) Rom. 8:34 / Heb. 7:25 / 1 John 2:1	16:20-21
Knowing God is Alive and Active. In dark times you can't see all God is	19:25
Knowing God will be Victorious. Our proper goal is not to, but to	19:26 defeat Satan.
Knowing God will always show Himself to be Holding on to God's will never	19:27
Knowing God will Bless and Reward. Hope dilutes suffering when you add	42:12-16
Believers have the high calling	

to prove Satan wrong!

Optional Readings:

See the benefits and peace when God is your refuge! **Psalm** 34, 46, 71, 91, 123-127, 142-146