

**Even in Suffering**  
Because of Joy, part 2 of 5  
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**James 1:2-4 ESV**

**Suffering and trials grow our faithfulness, so there is a purpose.**

**Philippians 1:12-14 ESV**

**The purposes of suffering:**

**1. To Advance the Gospel.**

2 Corinthians 4:8-10 ESV

**2. To encourage others to endure.**

John 16:33 ESV

**Philippians 1:18b-30 ESV**

**3. To give us a proper perspective.**

Romans 8:18 ESV

2 Corinthians 4:17 ESV

**4. To motivate us to align the practice of our faith with the theology of our faith.**

Psalms 119:71 ESV

**My next step today is to...**

- ☐ Thank God for the challenge(s) I am facing today.
- ☐ Reflect on how God has used trials and suffering in my past to grow my faith.