

How to Pray In a Trial (2 Thessalonians 3:1-5)

How Are Trials Used for Good?

1. To <u>Change</u> our Motivation for Life (1 Peter 2:19-24)	6. To <u>Create</u> a Closer Relationship with Others (Matthew 26:31-46; Philippians 1:7-8; 4:14-18)
2. To <u>Live</u> Our Life Purposefully (John 12:23-28)	7. To <u>Show</u> that We Love Others (John 11:35-36; Romans 5:8)
3. To <u>Grow</u> as Christians (Hebrews 5:7-8; Matthew 26:47-56; Romans 5:1-5; James 1:2-4)	8. To <u>Exemplify</u> for Others, "Christian Faith Under Pressure" (1 Peter 2:21; Philippians 2:3-8)
4. To <u>Develop</u> a Closer Relationship with Christ (2 Corinthians 1:8-11; Philippians 3:7-11)	9. To <u>Give Hope</u> to Others about Life (Hebrews 12:3; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18)
5. To <u>Comfort</u> Others with Similar Pain (Hebrews 4:14-15; 2 Corinthians 1:3-7)	10. To <u>Catalyze</u> Salvation of Others (Luke 23:40-43; Philippians 1:12-14)

How Should I Pray through a Trial?

1. "Help someone _____ because of my trial" (2 Thessalonians 3:1)
2. "Help me _____" (2 Thessalonians 3:2-4)
3. "Help me _____" (2 Thessalonians 3:5)

Have a Question?

Call the Christian Church at Cogan Station, 998-2989. Missed the sermon or forgot your Bible Study? Go to www.coganstationchurch.org.

To explore this topic more this week, consider joining one of the CCCS Growth Cells. Contact Dave Hall or the church office at 998-2989.

Bible Study

2 Thessalonians 3:1-5

1. Who is asking for prayer? (1:1) _____ Verse _____
2. What is the first “prayer request”? (3:1) _____
_____ Verse _____
3. Yes/No: Did the message of the Lord spread rapidly among the Thessalonians? _____ Verse _____
4. What is the second “prayer request”? (3:2) _____
_____ Verse _____
5. True/False: Everybody has faith. _____ Verse _____
6. In what two ways does the Lord show his faithfulness to us? _____
_____ Verse _____
7. Cross-reference. How does God’s faithfulness help us stand firm in these end times? Find your answer by looking up at least three of the following verses: Lamentations 3:21-24; 1 Corinthians 1:8-9; 10:12-13; 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24; Hebrews 10:23; 1 Peter 4:19; 1 John 1:9; Revelation 19:11.

8. Against whom do God’s people need strength and protection? _____
_____ Verse _____
9. What confidence did they have in the Lord? _____
_____ Verse _____

How to Pray During a Trial

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10. True/False: Each person directs his or her own heart without influence.
_____ Verse _____
11. What is the first point towards which the Lord directs our hearts? _____
_____ Verse _____
12. What is the second point towards which the Lord directs our hearts? _____
_____ Verse _____
13. What is the main theme of this section? What is the key verse?
14. What did you learn from this section?
15. What is one specific life application you are led to make?