



LESSON 4 - JAMES 1:12-18 (STUDENT)

1. What changes did you make as a result of applying last week's lesson?

2. Read James 1:12-18. Who is being described and why is this person being described this way?

3. Write a sentence about what each paragraph (verses indicated) is saying. Then comment on how each relates to the previous two paragraphs.

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| Paragraph 1 vv., 3-8 | |
| Paragraph 2 vv. 9-11 | |
| Paragraph 3 vv. 12-18 | |

4. The word "approved" is the word *dokimos* which comes from the root *dokos*. *Dokos* means to hold up; or a beam of timber (which usually holds up things like houses). Once we have spiritually "held up" like a beam of timber, what will happen and to whom will it happen according to verse 12?

5. God gives similar instruction to the Church at Philadelphia in Revelation 3:7-13. Who are the ones who receive the crown? What did they do?

6. Of what does this future crown consist and when will it be given (2 Timothy 4:8; I Peter 5:4; Revelation. 2:10)?

Optional: Who is the only group mentioned as casting their crowns before God's throne in Revelation 4:10?

7. Who is often blamed when we are going through a trial? (vv. 13-15)

8. What is the progression from temptation to sin and what natural phenomenon is it likened to?

A. Each one is tempted when he is carried away and _____ by his own _____.

B. When lust is _____, it gives _____ to sin.

C. When sin is _____, it _____ forth _____.

The natural phenomenon is:

9. What is to be blamed in verse 14?

10. What other misconception is addressed about trials in verses 16-18? How are the Christians being deceived?

11. How is the statement in verses 16-18 an encouragement during trials?

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12. What does it mean to "be brought forth by the word of truth?" How do other New Testament apostles express this same idea?

The Apostle John: John 3:7; I John 5:4

The Apostle Peter: I Peter 1:3

13. What are we "brought forth" as, and what does this mean for us as Christians (Ezekiel 44:29-30; I Corinthians 15:20-23; Revelation 14:4)?

14. In light of what we learned in today's lesson, how can you view a current trial that you are going through?