

ENDURE TO THE END DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

JAMES 1:12

- 1 **Think about the the trials you are currently facing and how they affect your faith.** What are the external trials and pressures that you are currently facing? How are they affecting your faith?

 *How did intense difficulty and trial affect Peter in (Luke 22:54-62)? How did it impact the Psalmist Asaph in (Psalm 73:2)?*

 *Has there ever been a time in your life where trials really caused you to struggle with your faith, perhaps your spiritual feet almost slipped out from under you. Perhaps you could share a time like that with your group and what helped you through that time.*

- 2 **How people handle trials can say something about the genuineness of their salvation.** Do you have assurance that you are truly born again (John 3:3)? What evidence do you see in your own life to give you that assurance?

 *Do you think that God wants true believers to go on throughout life worrying about whether they are really born again, or to have firm assurance that they are his people? (See 1 John 5:13).*

 *Many times children who grow up in Christian homes go through a period of doubting their salvation. If this is something you have experienced, please share that, and share how you came through those doubts.*

- 3 **If you have doubts about whether you are truly born again, what is it in your life that is giving reason for those doubts?**

 *What would Scripture encourage you to do to resolve those doubts? (See 2 Pet. 1:5-11; Matt. 11:28-30; John 6:37).*

 *Do you think that Jesus now knows about your doubts and understands them? What do you think he would like you to do now to gain greater assurance of salvation?*

