

Joy in the midst of trials!

1. Obtain an accurate picture!
 - a. God had given us a sound mind. 2 Timothy 1:6-7
 - b. Walk in faith, not fear. Isaiah 26:1-9
2. Obtain a Godly perspective!
 - a. We often fear the very thing God is trying to accomplish.
John 3:18-21
 - b. God blesses righteousness, not the covering up of wickedness. Proverbs 28:13
3. Obtain an eternal perspective!
 - a. Our hope is not in the absence of trials or tribulations! John 16:33; 1 Peter 1:13-14
 - b. Our hope is in the Lord who made heaven and earth!
 - i. In the power of the resurrection! 1 Peter 1:3-5
 - ii. In the promise of eternal life! 1 Peter 1:6-9