

1:2-8 Patience under trial with faith and joy - Luke 8:13,15

- a. 2 My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers **temptations**;
- b. 3 Knowing *this*, that **the trying** of your faith worketh **patience**.
- c. 4 But let **patience** have *her* **perfect** work,
- d. that ye may be **perfect** and entire, **wanting** nothing.
- e. 5 If any of you **lack** wisdom, **let him ask** of God, that giveth to all *men* liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.
- f. 6 But **let him ask** in faith, nothing **wavering**.
- g. For he that **wavereth** is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. 7 For let not **that man** think that he shall **receive** any thing of the Lord.
- h. 8 A double minded **man** *is* unstable in all his ways.

1:9-11 The double minded man with shallow roots - Luke 8:13

- a. 9 Let the brother of low degree rejoice in that he is exalted:
10 But the **rich**, in that he is made low:
- b. because as **the flower of the grass** he shall pass away.
- c. **11 For the sun is no sooner risen with a burning heat,**
b'. but it withereth the **grass,**
and the flower thereof falleth,
and the grace of the fashion of it perisheth:
a'. so also shall the **rich** man fade away in his ways.

1:12 Enduring Trial - deep roots

12 Blessed *is* the man that **endureth temptation**: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.

1:13-15 Lusts of other things - Mark 4:19

- a. 13 Let no **man** say when he is **tempted**, I am **tempted of God**:
- b. **for God cannot be tempted** with evil, neither **tempteth** he **any man**:
- c. 14 But **every man** is **tempted**, when he is drawn away of his own **lust**, and enticed.

d. 15 Then when **lust** hath conceived, it bringeth forth **sin**:

e. and **sin**, when it is finished, bringeth forth **death**.

1:16-21 The good seed sown and received - Luke 8:11

a. 16 Do not err, my beloved **brethren**. 17 Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning. 18 Of his own will **begat he us with the word of truth**, that we should be a kind of **firstfruits** of his creatures.

a'. 19 Wherefore, my beloved **brethren**, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath: 20 For the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God. 21 Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness **the engrafted word**, which is able to save your souls.

1:22-27 The fruitful soil - Luke 8:21

a. 22 But be ye **doers of the word**,

b. and not hearers only, **deceiving your own selves**.

c. 23 For if any be **a hearer of the word, and not a doer**, he is like unto a man **beholding** his natural face in a glass: 24 For he **beholdeth** himself, and goeth his way, and straightway **forgetteth** what manner of man he was.

c'. 25 But whoso **looketh into** the perfect law of liberty, and continueth *therein*, **he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work**, this man shall be blessed in his deed.

b'. 26 If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but **deceiveth his own heart**, this man's religion *is* vain.

a'. 27 Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To **visit** the fatherless and widows in their affliction, *and* to **keep** himself unspotted from the world.