

When James says to "count it all Joy" in the first few verses he is setting up the tone for the entire epistle where he is basically going to tell us in the rest of the epistle all of the doctrinal skills and techniques that we need, in order to fulfill this opening mandate. He is going to continually come back to this theme of **endurance, testing and joy**, over and again.

Our life is the product of our choices.

Whatever we do, whatever we become in life is the consequence of our **volition**. Right now we are determining what we will be in 15 or 20 years from now, in 30, 40, 50 years from now, yes and **even the quality of our eternal existence**.

Our life, and eternal existence is and will be, the product and the outcome of all of our choices.

Our life will either be stable because we are implementing the problem-solving methods James is going to communicate in the rest of his epistle, or we will be unstable because we have made the choice to live life on our own terms.

If we choose to live life on our own terms we will not only miss out on the abundant life for ourselves, but we will also not be able to assist others in achieving the abundant life and their greater eternal blessings.

A major part of our service and obedience to God's word is dependent on our personal determination to become aware of those things that **distract and tarnish** the unobstructed revelation of God's **methods** for mankind in the Bible.

epignōsis Knowledge, Faith, & Prayer

Faith, doctrinal orientation and **grace orientation** are the necessary problem-solving components that underlie what James is talking about in verses 5 and 6. He says,

James 1:8-9 (NKJV)

- 8 If any of you lacks wisdom, **let him ask of God**, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him.
9 But **let him ask in faith**, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind.

So immediately you realize that if you are going to solve the problem of adversity in your life, if you think you lack something, and **what you lack is the doctrine necessary to apply to the situation**, then that involves **doctrinal orientation**:

You have to have **epignōsis** knowledge in your soul.

Read and spend an entire week on epignōsis. James, but not always.

Therefore he says Pray "let him ask of God." This is the prayer.

Grace: God provides everything, and all we do is ask and receive it.

God in His righteousness and justice will provide the Bible teaching necessary to give the information needed so that it can be applied to those tests, and the believer moves forward:

- **let him ask of God** who gives to all generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him."

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A command, a mandate to ask **in** means of faith

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