

Outline – May 3, 2020
James 1:1-12
How God Creates Unshakable Faith
1Peter 4:12-19

How Do You Manage “Life Quakes”

I. How do you cope when your life is shaken

- A. Some give up
- B. Some disconnect (walk away)
- C. Some self medicate (addiction)
- D. Some grow in faith, hope and love

II. What many find attractive, amazing and awe-inspiring

- A. An unwavering faith
 - 1. A confidence in God that is unshakeable
 - 2. A “God is in control” life style
- B. A faith that is mature, confident, reliable and responsible

III. God wants to bring us to a faith that is confident and completely trust Him

- A. Trust brings intimate relationship
- B. Trust is the foundation of Faith
- C. Confidence in God changes everything

IV. How does God create in us an unshakable faith? How do we become confident mountain movers?

- A. When we encounter various trials when we go through seasons of suffering
- B. Trials are often different
 - 1. Common trials or suffering
 - 2. Carnal trials or suffering
 - 3. Christian trials or suffering

V. How God takes our trials and creates unshakable faith

- A. Trials-purify
 - 1. Like a hot furnace melting impure metal leaving the gold
 - 2. Trials show us who and what is real
 - 3. Who and what we trust
- B. Trials – partner us with Jesus
 - 1. Prayer
 - 2. Worship
 - 3. Promises
 - 4. Hope

- C. Trials – power of Holy Spirit
 - 1. Fills us
 - 2. Face things we never thought possible
 - 3. Paul & Silas
 - 4. Stephen (Acts 7)
- D. Trials persuade others and us
 - 1. What God does
 - 2. How God works
 - 3. Who God is
- E. Trials – perfection/maturity
 - 1. God shapes us
 - 2. God prepares us
- F. The results
 - 1. A confidence
 - 2. A wisdom
 - 3. A perseverance

VI. Practical application

- A. Meet Regi
 - 1. Faced trials in family
 - 2. Faced health trials
 - 3. Rare disease – cancer
 - 4. “My life has always been in God’s hands, nothing has changed”
- B. His “to do” list with only months to live
 - 1. I will walk with Jesus every day
 - 2. I will be grateful and live every day to the fullest
 - 3. I will bless my family and friends with notes of love, words of encouragement, pictures and videos to remember
 - 4. I will invest in my “small group” for their good and God’s glory
 - 5. I will not give up and run out the clock. My faith will produce courage
 - 6. I will love others and let others love me

VII. The reality of trials

- A. Sometimes they choose us
- B. God uses them to strengthen our faith
- C. It’s that kind of faith that
 - 1. Produces joy
 - 2. Gives the crown of life

Use This God Until You Choose To Remove This

That Is What Produces Unshakable Faith

