

## James 1:2-5

### Trials and Temptations

Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters,[a] whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything. If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.

## Jesus' "I am" Statements in John

1. *"I am the bread of life"* (John 6:35-48)
2. *"I am the light of the world"* (John 8:12; 9:5)
3. *"I am the door"* (John 10:9)
4. *"I am the good shepherd"* (John 10:11-14)
5. *"I am the resurrection and the life"* (John 11:25)
6. *"I am the way, the truth and the life"* (John 14:6)
7. *"I am the true vine"* (John 15:1-5)

## Hebrews 12:1-3

Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

## Psalms 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing.

He makes me lie down in green pastures,  
he leads me beside quiet waters,  
he refreshes my soul.

He guides me along the right paths  
for his name's sake.

Even though I walk  
through the darkest valley,[a]

I will fear no evil,  
for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff,  
they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me  
in the presence of my enemies.

You anoint my head with oil;

my cup overflows.  
Surely your goodness and love will follow me  
all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord  
forever.