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## LONG-SUFFERING IN ADVERSITY

**Introduction:** If you are a child of God whose heart's desire is to see God glorified through you, adversity will not put you down for the count. There will be those initial moments of shock and confusion. But the man or woman who has God's perspective on this life and the life to come will always emerge victorious."

(How to Handle Adversity, Charles Stanley)

### JAMES 5:7-11

**I. LONG-SUFFERING IN THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF LIFE - \_\_\_\_\_ - vs. 7 - "Be patient",**  
"Makrothymia", \_\_\_\_\_

1. Living under the \_\_\_\_\_ - Gen 3

- \_\_\_\_\_ is cursed - all of \_\_\_\_\_ is affected
- \_\_\_\_\_ becomes \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_ - even \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ is a \_\_\_\_\_

2. Lifetime

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

Requires "a long obedience in the same direction" (Eugene Peterson)

**II. LONG-SUFFERING IN \_\_\_\_\_ - THE \_\_\_\_\_**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ by God

2. \_\_\_\_\_ to their mission

3. \_\_\_\_\_ to a life of \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_ - most were never \_\_\_\_\_ by the King but they were \_\_\_\_\_ by God

2 Tim 4:2 - "...be prepared in season and out of season."

**III. LONG-SUFFERING IN THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF LIFE - \_\_\_\_\_ - vs. 11 -**

Perseverance, "hypomone"- endurance, overcoming triumphantly

1. Life \_\_\_\_\_ events

2. Life \_\_\_\_\_

3. Life's \_\_\_\_\_ tests

**Conclusion:** Responding to adversity - the \_\_\_\_\_