Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

II THESSALONIANS 1:2

We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is fitting, because your faith grows exceedingly, and the love of every one of you all abounds toward each other,

II THESSALONIANS 1:3

so that we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and tribulations that you endure,

II THESSALONIANS 1:4

which is manifest evidence of the righteous judgment of God, that you may be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you also suffer;





Jesus said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind."

For you, brethren, became imitators of the churches of God which are in Judea in Christ Jesus. For you also suffered the same things from your own countrymen, just as they did from the Judeans,

I THESSALONIANS 2:14

David Guzik

"We usually think that God is absent when we suffer, and that our suffering calls God's righteous judgment into question. Paul took the exact opposite position and insisted that the Thessalonians' suffering was evidence of the righteous judgment of God. Where suffering is coupled with righteous endurance, God's work is done. The fires of persecution and tribulation were like the purifying fires of a refiner, burning away the dross from the gold, bringing forth a pure, precious metal."

And not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance;

ROMANS 5:3

and perseverance, character; and character, hope.

ROMANS 5:4

Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

ROMANS 5:5



My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials,

JAMES 1:2

knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience.

But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing. Then his brothers also went and fell down before his face, and they said, "Behold, we are your servants."

Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid, for am I in the place of God?

But as for you, you meant evil against me; but God meant it for good, in order to bring it about as it is this day, to save many people alive.

Now therefore, do not be afraid; I will provide for you and your little ones." And he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

So Satan answered the LORD and said, "Does Job fear God for nothing?

For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show Himself strong on behalf of those whose heart is loyal to Him. In this you have done foolishly; therefore from now on you shall have wars."

II CHRONICLES 16:9

Then Job answered the LORD and said:

"I have heard of You by the hearing of the ear, But now my eye sees You.

Now the LORD blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; for he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, one thousand yoke of oxen, and one thousand female donkeys.

After this Job lived one hundred and forty years, and saw his children and grandchildren for four generations.

"I know that You can do everything, And that no purpose of Yours can be withheld from You. that there should be no schism in the body, but that the members should have the same care for one another.

I CORINTHIANS 12:25

And if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; or if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it.

CORINTHIANS 12:26

Now you are the body of Christ, and members individually.

I CORINTHIANS 12:27

Remember the prisoners as if chained with them—those who are mistreated—since you yourselves are in the body also.

HEBREWS 13:3

"Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You drink?

When did we see You a stranger and take You in, or naked and clothe You?

Or when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?'

And the King will answer and say to them, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.'



Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

MATTHEW 11:28

Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

MATTHEW 11:29

For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."

MATTHEW 11:30

These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

JOHN 16:33

And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away."

REVELATION 21:4

Now when Job's three friends heard of all this adversity that had come upon him, each one came from his own place—Eliphaz the Temanite, Bildad the Shuhite, and Zophar the Naamathite. For they had made an appointment together to come and mourn with him, and to comfort him.

And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works,

HEBREWS 10:24

not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.

HEBREWS 10:25

Two are better than one, Because they have a good reward for their labor.

ECCLESIASTES 4:9

For if they fall, one will lift up his companion.

But woe to him who is alone when he falls, For he has no one to help him up.

ECCLESIASTES 4:10

Again, if two lie down together, they will keep warm;

But how can one be warm alone?

ECCLESIASTES 4:11



Do not judge according to appearance, but judge with righteous judgment."

JOHN 7:24

Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good.

Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another;

not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord;

rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer;

distributing to the needs of the saints, given to hospitality.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse.

Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep.

My little children, let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth.

I JOHN 3:18

If a brother or sister is naked and destitute of daily food,

JAMES 2:15

and one of you says to them, "Depart in peace, be warmed and filled," but you do not give them the things which are needed for the body, what does it profit?

Thus also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

JAMES 2:17



After this Job opened his mouth and cursed the day of his birth.

"Why did I not die at birth?
Why did I not perish when I came from the womb?

"Why is light given to him who is in misery, And life to the bitter of soul,

JOB 3:20

Who long for death, but it does not come, And search for it more than hidden treasures;

JOB 3:21

Who rejoice exceedingly, And are glad when they can find the grave?

JOB 3:22

Why is light given to a man whose way is hidden,

And whom God has hedged in?

So then, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath;

JAMES 1:19

And so it was, after the LORD had spoken these words to Job, that the LORD said to Eliphaz the Temanite, "My wrath is aroused against you and your two friends, for you have not spoken of Me what is right, as My servant Job has.

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.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort,

II CORINTHIANS 1:3

who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort those who are in any trouble, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.

II CORINTHIANS 1:4

For as the sufferings of Christ abound in us, so our consolation also abounds through Christ.

II CORINTHIANS 1:5

"I have heard many such things; Miserable comforters are you all!

JOB 16:2

From that time Jesus began to show to His disciples that He must go to Jerusalem, and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised the third day.

MATTHEW 16:21

"You know that after two days is the Passover, and the Son of Man will be delivered up to be crucified."

MATTHEW 26:2

Pilate therefore said to Him, "Are You a king then?"

Jesus answered, "You say rightly that I am a king. For this cause I was born, and for this cause I have come into the world, that I should bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice."

JOHN 18:37

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

JOHN 3:16