**JAMES**

**Lesson 1: Consider It Pure Joy**

### JAMES 1:2-4 (NLT)

2Dear brothers and sisters,when troubles come your way, consider it an opportunity for great joy. 3For you know that when your faith is tested, your endurance has a chance to grow. 4So let it grow, for when your endurance is fully developed, you will be perfect and complete, needing nothing.

**CONSIDER IT PURE JOY**

**1. Trust Jesus before trials**

**2. Trust Jesus during trials**

**3. Trust Jesus after trials**

**ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS**

**1. Think about the ways you have most recently suffered. How can you demonstrate joy in those situations?**

**2. All of us struggle with our patience from time to time. How can you develop deeper patience? What situations this week might help you practice patience?**

**3. If you’re in the middle of a difficult situation right now, how can we help you trust Jesus and develop perseverance?**

**4. What is the most important truth God taught you through the lesson?**

**FOR KEEPS [MEMORY VERSE]**

*Put your hope in the Lord. Travel steadily along his path. He will honor you by giving you the land. You will see the wicked destroyed (Psalm 37:34 NLT).*