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# Today's Sermon

# Life in the Valley

PASTOR MIKE YODER JAMES 1:1-8 JAMES

FAITH/WORKS

Letter Introduction — Faith/Works (1:1)

## **Perspective on Trials** (1:2-4)

1. Choosing Joy

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2. Seeing Purpose

## **Essential Wisdom** (1:5-8)

- 1. Finding the Source
- 2. Trusting the Result

Personal Preparation

Tough times remind us of a \_\_\_\_\_ God and \_\_\_\_ purposes.

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James, speaking for God, commands us to consider our encounter with trials "pure joy" (1:3). Based on what you heard in the sermon, why is that important? How is that possible?

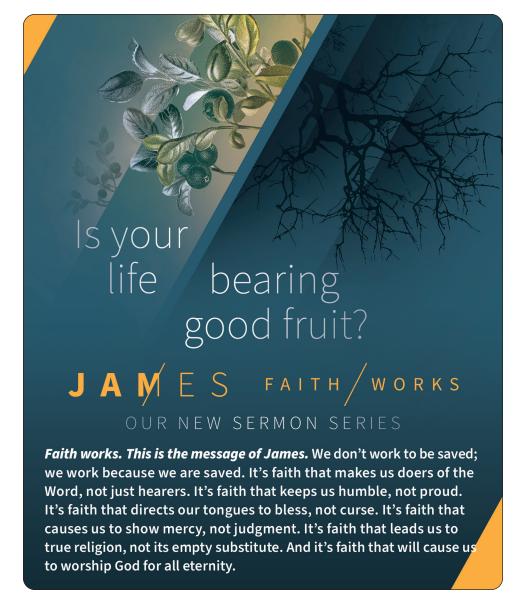
God's purpose in allowing trials is our maturity; they're not random or purposeless. What specifically might He be looking to develop in you when He allows trials?

Why is God not stingy or ill-intentioned when giving wisdom? What does that say about Him and about us (1:5)? Summarize in 2–3 sentences what it means to "believe and not doubt" (1:6).

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# **Welcome to Grace**

SUNDAY, APRIL 11, 2021





Grace Polaris Church exists to honor God by multiplying devoted followers of Jesus through worship, community, training, and witness.

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# This Week

# Coming Soon

#### TODAY

Worship Services 9:00 & 10:45 a.m. • WC Auditorium & Online

Sunday Morning Groups 9:00 & 10:45 a.m. • MC 1-9 • GracePolaris.org/Groups

Grace Kids 9:00 & 10:45 a.m. • ECC & WC • GracePolaris.org/Kids

**The Training Program** 9:00 a.m. • MC 3 • GracePolaris.org/Training

**Operation WorldView** 9:00 a.m. • MC 1 • GracePolaris.org/Operation

**The Legacy Journey** 10:45 a.m. • MC 7 • GracePolaris.org/Legacy

Grace Students Grades 5-6 10:45 a.m. • MC 5-6 • GracePolaris.org/Students

Special Needs Classes 10:45 a.m. • MC 8-9 • For Teens & Adults with Special Needs

**Young Women's Bible Study** 6:30 p.m. • Youth Center

**Grace Groups** Today & Throughout the Week • GracePolaris.org/Groups

#### MONDAY

**30 Days of Prayer for Muslims** Through May 12 • Encompass World Partners is organizing a time of prayer during the Muslim holy month of Ramadan. Believers will unite in prayer for Muslims around the world to come to know Jesus as Lord and Savior, as well as for Muslim-background believers who face persecution. To sign up for daily emails and access to weekly Zoom prayer calls, visit GracePolaris.org/Prayer.

Men's Bible Study 10:00 a.m. • MC 3-4 • With Pastor Dan Hammers

Right Start Bible Hour 7:00 p.m. • WC Auditorium • With Pastor Jim Custer TUESDAY

Women for Missions 10:00 a.m. • MC 2 • Ladies, join us each month as we gather for fellowship and prayer for our global workers. This month Cristal Downing will join us to share about her podcast, Brightest Voices, where she interviews missionaries while encouraging them and raising awareness for missions. For more information or to register for childcare, contact Gretchen Horstman (GHorstman@SBCGlobal.net; 614-888-4367).

Red Cross Blood Drive 12:00-6:00 p.m. • MC Multipurpose Room • Someone needs a unit of blood every three seconds, and that need can only be met by volunteer donors like you! Join us in partnering with the American Red Cross as we meet this urgent need in our community. Learn more and make an appointment at RedCrossBlood.org (sponsor code "GracePolaris") or by calling 1-800-RED-CROSS.

#### WEDNESDAY

Grace Students Grades 6-12 Small Groups 6:30 p.m. • MC Multipurpose Room

Awana at Home 6:45 p.m. • Online • GracePolaris.org/Awana

Men's Bible Training 6:45 p.m. • MC 5 • GracePolaris.org/MBT

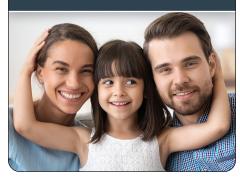
GriefShare 7:00 p.m. • AO Conference Room & Online • GracePolaris.org/Grief FRIDAY

**Single Women's Fellowship 60+** *Not meeting. Plan to attend* Invited: *A Women's Event!* SATURDAY

Invited: A Women's Event 3:00 p.m. • MC Multipurpose Room • Ladies, join us in-person for this special afternoon as we discover God's love through music, Bible teaching, laughter, and fellowship. We will also collect donations for the Worthington Salvation Army. Space is limited! To RSVP by this Wednesday, visit GracePolaris.org/Invited or text "Invited" to 614-888-7733.

## **Parent Commissioning Class** Sundays, April 18-May 2 at 9:00 a.m. in MC 8

Raising children to become devoted followers of Jesus is no small task, but Grace is here to help! This three-session course helps expand parents' awareness of their privilege and responsibility, culminating in a public dedication ceremony on Sunday, May 9. To RSVP, visit GracePolaris.org/Parent or text "Parent" to 614-888-7733.



# **Car Care FREE Vehicle Service for Single Moms & Widows**

## Saturday, April 24 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. in Warehouse A

We're blessing widows and single moms with a FREE basic car checkup this season! Let us change your oil and filter, plus check and top off your car's fluids. To RSVP by April 18, visit **GracePolaris.org/CarCare** or text "CarCare" to 614-888-7733.

## **Ministry Update Call** with Tom Barlow

Sunday, May 2 12:10 p.m. in MC 3-4

Join us for a boxed lunch as we hear from Tom Barlow via Zoom about his ministry in England. To RSVP by April 28, visit GracePolaris.org/Barlow or text "Barlow" to 614-888-7733.



## **How to Share the Gospel** with the Nations Saturdays, May 8, 15, & 22 3:00-5:00 p.m. in MC 4

God has brought the nations to northern Columbus! Join us for three training sessions to prepare yourself to share the Gospel through ESL (English as a Second Language) classes and other ways to help internationals.



To register for just \$10 by May 6, visit GracePolaris.org/Nations or text "Nations" to 614-888-7733.

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