

BEARING FRUIT – Part 1

Romans 5:1-5

7/5/23

- Tonight – Opportunity to give a Bible study
- The Plan – to begin a new series
- Subject – Bearing Fruit
- A few details about the series
 - Not choosing the popular Galatians 5:19-23
 - In 3 parts – from 3 different authors – Paul, James and Peter
- Title tonight – Part 1 – from Paul – Romans 5:1-5
 - Paul Romans 5:1-5
 - James James 3:13-18
 - Peter 2 Peter 1:5-9

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- Romans 5:1-5
- Rom. 5:1-2 justified by faith – we have peace with God – through our Lord Jesus Christ – through Whom also we have access by faith (into this grace we stand) and rejoice in hope of the glory of God
- 3-4 we do not only glory in hope – but we glory in tribulations – knowing that
- tribulation produces patience (perseverance)
 - patience (perseverance) produces experience (character)
 - experience (character) produces hope
- tribulation – “thlipsis” (#2347) – noun
trouble, distress, oppression, tribulation
- patience – “hypomone” (#5281) – noun
perseverance, endurance, patience
- experience – “dokime” (#1382) – noun
character, test, proof
- hope – “elpis” (#1680) – noun
hope, expectation

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- Trouble – Patience – Experience – Hope
- Acts 14:22 we must through many tribulations (#2347) enter the kingdom of God
- 2 Cor. 1:4 God comforts us in all our tribulation (#2347)
- 8 we don’t want you ignorant of our trouble (#2347)
- 9-10 trusted in God – has delivered – does deliver – will deliver
- 2 Cor. 4:17 our light affliction (#2347) – which is for a moment – works a far more

18 exceeding and eternal weight of glory
 we should NOT focus on the physical things which are seen – rather, we
 should focus on the spiritual things which are not seen
 1 Thes. 3:1-2 when we could no longer forbear, we sent Timothy
 3 that no person should be moved by these afflictions (#2347)
 4 we told you before that we should suffer tribulations (#2347)
 2 Thes. 1:4 we glory in you in the churches of God – for your patience and faith – in
 all your persecutions and tribulations (#2347) that you endure

- Do you remember “experience” was “dokime” (#1382)?
- A variation = “dioko” (#1377) – verb
 to pursue, persecute, oppress, harass
- 3 times – “suffer persecution”
- Notice one particular time

2 Tim. 3:12 all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus – will suffer persecution

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- Combination of faith and hope

Acts 24:14 I worship the God of my fathers – believing things which are written in the
 Law and in the Prophets
 15 I have hope in God – that there will be a resurrection of the dead – both of
 the just and the unjust

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