

# **“Count It All Joy”**

James 1:1-4

## **I. A Brief Introduction**

### **A. James – the man**

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### **B. His self-perception**

### **C. His focus**

### **D. His audience – to who**

## **II. The Understatement of the NT – “various trials”**

### **A. Historical Background**

### **B. Time Frame**

## **C. What caused James to write**

## **III. James’ Irrational “Call” – “Count it all joy”**

### **A. What he is NOT saying**

### **B. What then does he mean?**

## **IV. The Rationale Behind the “Call”**

### **Step 1:**

### **Step 2:**

### **Homework: James 1:4-18**

How is prayer a key part in the process of testing?

When going through testing, what do we need to guard against?

What’s the problem with wealth?

How should Christians look at themselves if they are rich? Poor?

Who are we cautioned not to blame when we are tempted?

What is the source of temptation and how does it come about?

What is the good and perfect gift?