

Brought to a Safe Place

by David Wilkerson

God permits trials to bring about spiritual growth and to test our faith, but He is always with us and will bring us out into a safe place.

Scripture: Job 23:10, Psalm 34:18, Psalm 46:1, Isaiah 41:10, Jeremiah 9:7, Lamentations 3:22-23, Romans 8:28, 2 Corinthians 4:17, Hebrews 13:5, 1 Peter 4:12

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Description

David Wilkerson emphasizes that even the most faithful Christians can face overwhelming trials and suffering, which may lead them to question God's presence in their pain. He reassures believers that these fiery trials are part of spiritual growth and that God uses them to refine and strengthen faith. Wilkerson encourages listeners to trust in God's promises and to understand that true faith does not equate to constant happiness or prosperity. Instead, it is about knowing that God is always with us, even in our darkest moments, and that He will ultimately bring us to a safe place. He urges believers to wait patiently for God's deliverance.

Transcript

You may be happy, healthy and on top of the world right now. If so, you probably do not need this message. But if you are feeling down for some reason, under a load of grief or pain, loneliness or suffering, this message is for you.

Very saintly Christians sometimes experience trials so heavy that they wonder if God is letting them hurt more than they can bear. Their heartbreak almost crushes them and they are on the brink of despair. Great men and women of faith have experienced dark and deep trials but God has brought them through to victory because they put their trust in him.

God still permits testing times, times during which the soul is permitted to go through a fiery trial which, according to God's Word, is to try us. "Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange things happened to you" (1 Peter 4:12). The prophet Jeremiah predicted that saints of God would be tried by fire: "Behold, I will refine them and try them" (Jeremiah 9:7).

Any spiritual growth that takes place in our life will always be accompanied by trials, for "He knows the way that I take; when He has tested me, I shall come forth as gold" (Job 23:10). While it is natural for us to want to shield ourselves from difficulties, it is an act of faith to entrust all our circumstances to our loving

Father.

Avoid Christians who say to you, "If you were really standing on the promises of God and living by faith, you would always be happy and prosperous. You should be praising God and smiling and rejoicing. You must not have a negative mind."

Not so! What you have is faith that God will never leave you or forsake you, even in your darkest hour. God is always God, He is still on the throne and he hears and answers your prayer. He cares about you and his promises will never fail you. Quietly wait on the Lord to bring you out into a safe place!

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