The Purpose and Process of Faith-Testing Moments

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IDEA: Faith-Testing Moments are only the starting point of a \_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_\_.

- 1. Opposition Brings \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 1-4)
  - A. As we see the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_
  - B. As we see \_\_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_

Your Response: \_\_\_\_\_ His Work

2. Humility Brings \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 5)

A. We must \_\_\_\_\_\_ our \_\_\_\_\_

B. We must \_\_\_\_\_\_ God's \_\_\_\_\_

Your Response: \_\_\_\_\_ His Heart

- 3. Dependence Brings God's \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 6-17)
  - A. In \_\_\_\_\_\_ ways
  - B. In \_\_\_\_\_ ways

Your Response: \_\_\_\_\_\_ His Involvement

4. God's Involvement Brings \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 17-24)

A. Growth in \_\_\_\_\_

- B. Growth in \_\_\_\_\_
- C. Growth in the \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_

Your Response: \_\_\_\_\_ Your Growth

Conclusion:

See \_\_\_\_\_\_ in your faith-testing moments

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- IDEA: Faith-Testing Moments are only the starting point of a process of spiritual growth.
- 1. Opposition Brings <u>Humility</u> (vs. 1-4)
  - A. As we see the <u>weaknesses</u> of <u>others</u>
  - B. As we see <u>weaknesses</u> in <u>ourselves</u>

Your Response: Accept His Work

- 2. Humility Brings Dependence (vs. 5)
  - A. We must accept our inability
  - B. We must <u>acknowledge</u> God's <u>ability</u> Your Response: <u>Trust</u> His Heart
- 3. Dependence Brings God's Involvement (vs. 6-17)
  - A. In <u>unexpected</u> ways
  - B. In <u>unbelievable</u> ways

Your Response: Acknowledge His Involvement

- 4. God's Involvement Brings Growth (vs. 17-24)
  - A. Growth in worship
  - B. Growth in <u>unity</u>
  - C. Growth in the Word of God

## Your Response: Accelerate Your Growth

**Conclusion:** 

See God's hand in your faith-testing moments