

# NEW DESTINY CHRISTIAN CENTER

## BIBLE STUDY LESSON: RISING ABOVE THE CHALLENGE

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**TEXT: 1 Peter 1:3-7**

**INTRODUCTION:** When we face challenges, it is our faith that is on trial: for the devil attacks to disrupt our faith in God, and to stop us from believing that God can do what He said He can do in our lives. Often times Christians believe that God works in everyone's life, but their own.

*Using the words and scriptures below, complete the introduction by filling in the blanks.*

Rising above challenges requires us to have undoubting faith in the midst of challenges. In other words, when we don't see the power of God manifesting in our lives we should:

- G   still and see the   D   of the Lord.   B
- Remember that our fight is against   F  ,   C  ,   E  ,   H    
  A

- a) Ephesians 6:12-14
- b) Exodus 14:13-14
- c) Powers
- d) Salvation
- e) Rulers of darkness of this age
- f) Principalities
- g) Stand
- h) Spiritual hosts of wickedness in heavenly places

### **PART I**

*Facing challenges is not a passive activity. To learn more, match the scriptures and statements below to the points that best reflect them.*

#### **1. Worship and praise your way through the challenge.**

<u>  A  </u>	<u>  C  </u>	<u>  D  </u>
<u>  E  </u>	<u>  F  </u>	<u>  I  </u>
<u>  J  </u>		

**2. Recognize that trouble doesn't last forever.**

          B            
          K          

          G          

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- a) James 1:2-3
- b) Psalm 30:5
- c) Joshua 6:5
- d) Acts 16:16-40
- e) Count it all joy when you face trials of many kinds because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance.
- f) Deliverance is found in worship.
- g) We are not going to be in the condition for long.
- h) Weeping may endure for a night but Joy comes in the morning time.
- i) The mark of a true worshiper is one that can worship God through challenging times.
- j) The fortified walls of Jericho fell because the people shouted out of obedience.
- k) God is going to deliver us through, not out of some situations.

**PART II**

**1. Understand that it's not just about you.**

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**2. Recognize that your faith in God is on trial.**

          B          

          C          

          E          

          F          

          G          

          J          

- a) Proverbs 23:7
- b) John 10:10
- c) Hebrew 11:6
- d) See yourselves the way God sees you.
- e) No matter what you face in life weather good or bad it is always about your faith in God.
- f) The devil lost his fight with Job because he couldn't take Job's faith in God.
- g) The devil comes to steal, kill and destroy.
- h) Paint a mental picture of a future state.
- i) So a man thinks in his/heart so is he.
- j) Without faith it's impossible to please God.
- k) Whatever controls your mind, controls you.

**CONCLUSION:** Regardless of the situation, when we keep our faith and trust that God will bring us through, we have already defeated the enemy.