

Sermon-Based Study for Individuals or Groups

Week of Sept 20, 2021

## Ice-breaker

What has brought you joy in your life beside Jesus?

## Read James 1:1-8

- Describe joy in your own words?
- How is it that followers of Jesus were to exhibit real joy in the midst of crying, shouting out in anger, or dealing with pain and hurt? (See 2 Corinthians 7:4; Acts 5:40-41; 16:25)
- With verses 3 and 4 in mind, draw some conclusions on the value and health of testing/trials. (See I Peter 1:6-8; Hebrews 2:10; Romans 5:1-5; Matthew 5:11-12)
- The Greek word, *hupomone*, talks about steadfastness, perseverance or endurance. In your own words, how do you suppose a testing of your faith can produce these kinds of results?
- How do you think wisdom intersects with perseverance?
- What does verse 5 tell you about your God?
- How do you see faith intersecting with wisdom?
- What changes need to occur in your life to lean on Jesus for complete wisdom?

## Announcements.

- 1. Sangita Trust presents: 5K COLOR WALK (or run), Saturday, Oct 16 from 9:30 to noon with the walk at 10, here at NCCC. Plus enjoy Indian food, outdoor games, live entertainment and more. Proceeds benefit women and children in India. MORE INFO AND SIGN UP at SangitaHope.org.
- 2. HIKE: OCTOBER 2 AT BRIDGE TO NOWHERE Outdoor Adventure Ministries (https://www.northcoastcalvary.org/outdoor/)
- 3. Harvest Party: Friday, October 29th, 2021. Harvest Party 2021 at North Coast Calvary Chapel, Friday, October 29th from 4-6PM & 6:30-8:30PM. I need volunteer greeters for 3 times slots. Let me know if you're interested and I'll send you an email.