

Daily Devotion For January 11, 2021

² Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, ^[a] whenever you face trials of many kinds, ³ because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. ⁴ Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything." James 1:2-4

Yesterday during our zoom worship service I learned that a friend of mine from Wintersburg, Dr. Peter Lam, had contracted the Coronavirus. After texting Peter to see how he was doing, he told me that as a medical professional he had been taking every precaution using PPE and N95 face masks and that he was about to receive his Covid-19 vaccine in a few days.

Peter also asked, "what lessons is God trying to teach me through this?" I like that attitude. Rather than saying, why me, why this or why now, Peter asked, what God was trying to teach him. The trials of life can either make us bitter or better. For Peter it was, how can I learn, grow, and mature through this experience.

Thought For Today: When you face the trials of life, how do you respond. Is your first response what can I learn though this? Have the trials of your life made you bitter or better?

Today's Prayer Focus: Take time to review this week's updated prayer fuel. Take note of the new prayer request. Select a few prayer points and lift them up to the Lord. Please remember Peter and his three children in prayer. Deo Volente.