

The Book of Romans

The Gospel of God

Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,

² through whom also we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we stand; and we boast in hope of the glory of God.

³ And not only this, but we also boast in our tribulations, knowing that tribulation brings about perseverance;

⁴ and perseverance, proven character; and proven character, hope;

⁵ and hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out within our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

(Romans 5:1-5)

Boasting in Tribulations

1. The Meaning

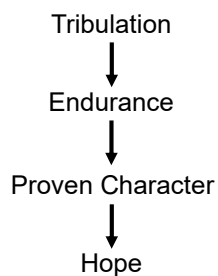
- “tribulations” – refer to general afflictions that have the potential of threatening faith
- “boasting” – an ultimate confidence and joy knowing that God makes affliction serve our good

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2. The Reason

- knowing that our afflictions are not senseless or meaningless but “producing” something valuable

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3. The Assurance

- this hope is not false or unfounded but certain for all who are in Christ
- we have the assurance of this hope through the outpouring of God’s love in us by the Holy Spirit (cf. Rom. 8:14-17)