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2022: THE YEAR OF CHRIST CONSCIOUSNESS

I am better because of the Challenge (The reality of Governing myself)

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You will be challenged

2 Timothy 3:11-13 Amplified Bible

11 persecutions, and sufferings—such as happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, and at Lystra; what persecutions I endured, but the Lord rescued me from them all! 12 **Indeed, all who delight in pursuing righteousness and are determined to live godly lives in Christ Jesus will be hunted and persecuted [because of their faith].** 13 But evil men and impostors will go on from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived.

Matthew 13:18-23 Amplified Bible

18 “Listen then to the [meaning of the] parable of the sower: 19 **When anyone hears the word of the kingdom [regarding salvation] and does not understand and grasp it, the evil one comes and snatches away what was sown in his heart.** This is the one on whom seed was sown beside the road. 20 The one on whom seed was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and at once welcomes it with joy; 21 yet he has no [substantial] root in himself, but is only temporary, and **when pressure or persecution comes because of the word, immediately he stumbles and falls away [abandoning the One who is the source of salvation].** 22 And the one on whom seed was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but **the worries and distractions of the world and the deceitfulness [the superficial pleasures and delight] of riches choke the word, and it yields no fruit.** 23 And the one on whom seed was sown on the good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands and grasps it; he indeed bears fruit and yields, some a hundred times [as much as was sown], some sixty [times as much], and some thirty.”

The Purpose of Challenges for the Believers

James 1:2-4 The Message

2-4 Consider it a sheer gift, friends, when tests and challenges come at you from all sides. You know that **under pressure, your faith-life is forced into the open and shows its true colors**. So don't try to get out of anything prematurely. **Let it do its work so you become mature and well-developed, not deficient in any way.**

James 1:2-4 Amplified Bible

2 Consider it nothing but joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you fall into various trials. 3 Be assured that the **testing of your faith [through experience] produces endurance [leading to spiritual maturity, and inner peace]**. 4 And let endurance have its perfect result and do a thorough work, so that **you may be perfect and completely developed [in your faith], lacking in nothing.**