



A Wise Faith



**James, a servant of God
and of the Lord Jesus
Christ, To the twelve
tribes scattered among
the nations:
Greetings.**

**Consider it pure joy, my
brothers and sisters,
whenever you face trials
of many kinds, because
you know that the
testing of your faith
produces perseverance.**



Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything. If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.

James 1:1-5

A close-up photograph of a dandelion seed head. The central seed head is dark and textured, with many fine, white, feathery seeds radiating outwards. Some seeds are in motion, appearing blurred as they blow away from the head. The background is a soft, out-of-focus green gradient.

Tests of faith

**promote our
growth**

A close-up photograph of a dandelion seed head. The central seed head is dark and textured, with many fine, white, feathery seeds radiating outwards. Some seeds are in motion, appearing as soft, out-of-focus blurs against a bright green background. The overall scene is lit from the top right, creating a soft glow.

Tests of faith requires wisdom

A close-up photograph of a dandelion seed head. The central seed head is dark and textured, with many fine, white, feathery seeds radiating outwards. Some seeds are in sharp focus, while others are blurred in the background, suggesting they are blowing away. The background is a soft, out-of-focus green gradient.

Tests of faith

**gives us social
perspective**

Dostoyevsky's Brothers Karamazov

**“I believe like a child
that suffering will be
healed and made up for,
that all the humiliating
absurdity of human
contradictions will
vanish like a pitiful
mirage, like the
despicable fabrication of
the impotent and
infinitely small
Euclidean mind of man,**





**That in the world's
finale, at the moment of
eternal harmony,
something
so precious will come to
pass that it will suffice
for all hearts,
for the comforting of all
the crimes of humanity,
for all the blood that
they've shed;
that it will make it not
only possible to forgive
but to justify all that has
happened. “**