

CHURCH ESSENTIALS...WHY DO I HAVE TO SUFFER?

Rom. 5:3-5

*What did people tell you before you came to believe in Christ?

1. v. 3...WE WILL HAVE SUFFERINGS AND TRIBULATION...

*What exactly are we talking about here?

*Note this truth;_____

*suffering=_____

2. v. 3...OUR TRIALS PRODUCE ENDURANCE...

*endurance=_____

*Note Col. 3:12-13

*2 Cor. 12:9...'My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in your weakness.'

3. v. 4...PERSEVERENCE PRODUCES CHARACTER...

*Job 23:10...'When He has tried/tested me, I shall come forth as gold.'

*Note a truth about gold...

4. v. 4...CHARACTER PRODUCES HOPE...

*Hope is_____

*The church that functions effectively responds to suffering the _____

CHALLENGE