

As believers, we would love to not have any pain, suffering, bad breaks, betrayals, or loss, but that is not reality. Difficulties will come, and pain is a part of life, so keep the right perspective: there is purpose in your pain. If everything were always easy, we wouldn't be prepared for our pre-ordained destiny in Christ. In the tough, dark times, God is getting you prepared. He knows exactly what you need, and when you need it. Every struggle is making you stronger. Every difficulty is maturing you. You may not like it, but every painful season is developing something in you that can be developed only in the tough times. Any difficulty is an opportunity to develop your character, and to gain a greater trust in God. If God allowed it, He knows how to bring good out of it. Don't just go through it, grow through it and keep a good attitude. Count it all joy, knowing that any pain is going to lead to your gain.

James 1:2-3 "Count it all joy when you fall into various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience."