• 2 Peter 1:5-7, Galatians 6:9, Hebrews 12:1, James 1:12, James 5:11

ATTITUDES NEEDED FOR PERSEUERANCE.

1. To add perseverance, make God		
-		when life is good.
	severance is ha r when things a	rd when things are hard; it is even re going well.

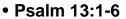
- A. Live godly while being blessed. Deuteronomy 8:11-14
- B. Be concerned about the spiritual condition of others. 1 Peter 4:11
- > Trusting God when life is hard, like Job, means doing it without knowing why we are suffering.
- A. Praise and worship God even when life is hard.

Blessed Be Your Name, In the land that is plentiful, Where Your streams of abundance flow, Blessed be Your name.

Blessed be Your name, On the road marked with suffering, Though there's pain in the offering, Blessed be Your name.

Every blessing You pour out, I'll Turn back to praise When the darkness closes in, Lord Still I will say, Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your glorious name.

You give and take away, My heart will choose to say Lord, blessed be Your name



- B. Remember, the Lord will allow suffering. Job 2:10
- C. Remember, the Lord is still sovereign. Job 2:6

Nothing touches me that has not passed through the hands of my heavenly Father. Nothing. Whatever occurs, God has sovereignly surveyed and approved. We may not know why, but we do know our pain is no accident to Him He knows the ultimate value of this painful experience. ~Chuck Swindol

- > Nothing happens us, including suffering, with-out God's ok and that He is not sovereign over.
- 3. To add perseverance, ______suffering is hard.
- A. Lament and humbly cry out to God. Job 2:10
- Job 31:35-37, Job 38:1-3, Job 40:1-2
- B. Be willing to repent when needed.

God, I know you are not ____ but it feels like you are today. ~Mark Vroegop

C. Choose to trust God.

Lament is a prayer in pain that leads to trust. ~Mark Vroegop

How are we doing at perservering, like Job?

When things are going _____?

When I am _____?

