

SPECIAL WORDS FOR SPECIAL PEOPLE: OFFERING GRACE TO THE WEARY

HOPE BEYOND OUR TRIALS: "WHEN THROUGH FIERY TRIALS . . ."

1 PETER 4:12-19



The Heart of the Matter

Peter was not one to quote pious platitudes; he had lived too long and seen too much. So we should pay careful attention to what Peter wrote—especially when life seems to be passing us through fiery trials. Peter lived during the days when being a Christian could cost you your life; therefore, the truths he offered should help us get through the fire of affliction we can experience in our own lives.



Discovering the Way

1. Practical Truth about Trials (James 1:1-4)

It is common for Christians to encounter trials. Trials come in various categories. Trials put our faith to the test. Without trials there could be no maturity.

2. Biblical Strength for "Fiery Ordeals" (1 Peter 4:12-19)

Peter offered practical advice on how to react to fiery trials, what to remember, and on whom to rely.

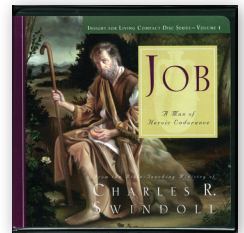


Starting Your Journey

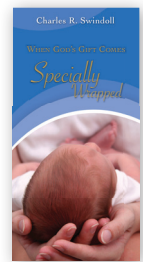
Personal growth through the heat comes in two forms. First, when trials come, remember that God is faithful—trust in Him. Second, when trials stay, remind yourself to do what is right—hide in Him.



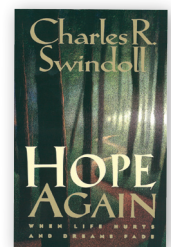
Tools for Digging Deeper



Job: A Man of Heroic Endurance
by Charles R. Swindoll
compact disc series



When God's Gift Comes Specially Wrapped
by Charles R. Swindoll
booklet



Hope Again: When Life Hurts and Dreams Fade
by Charles R. Swindoll
softcover book

For related resources, please call:
USA 1-800-772-8888
AUSTRALIA 1 300 467 444
CANADA 1-800-663-7639
UK 0800 915 9364
Or visit insight.org
or insightworld.org

Visit the Special Needs page on our Web site, www.insight.org/specialneeds, today.



INSIGHT FOR LIVING

Copyright © 1989, 2009 by Charles R. Swindoll, Inc. All rights reserved worldwide.
Duplication of copyrighted material for commercial use is strictly prohibited.
Committed to Excellence in Communicating Biblical Truth and Its Application