

# The Crown of Life

James 1:12

(series #5)

**Introduction:** no one can out-give God and God is never in debt to any man

- Romans 8:18
- Matthew 19:27-30
- 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 15:58
- Galatians 6:9-10
- Hebrews 6:10
- James 5:11

**I. “Blessed is the man who endures trial”**

- A. Endurance - James 1:3,4,12
  
- B. Matthew 5:3-11

**II. “for when he has been approved”**

- A. God’s intention is for us to pass the test
  
- B. Satan may use trials for our failure, not God

**III. “to those who love Him.”**

- A. That is our motivation to endure trials well
  
- B. Some allow trials to stunt their love

**IV. “he will receive the crown of life”**

- A. Other crowns: rejoicing, righteousness, glory
  
- B. The crown of life - for those who endure

**Conclusion:** casting our crowns - Revelation 4:9-10