

NEW COVENANT CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES

SERMON NOTES

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It's Only a Test

James 1:2, Proverbs 1:7, John 16:33, 1 Peter 5:10

In life there is a *theme*. Life is a T.E.S.T.

T (Trials)

E (Education)

S (Salvation)

T (Testimony)

Trials (James 1:2)

Consider it a joy to face trials. Trials produce perseverance, and perseverance produces endurance.

"It allows God to finish the work He started in us." – Dr. Tamica Smith Jones.

Education (Proverbs 1:7, Hosea 4:6)

The scripture says there is danger in those who lack wisdom. Education comes from many platforms. The Word and the church also provide an education.

"You get a word on social media, and you think you've been to church. No!" – Dr. Tamica Smith Jones

Salvation (John 16:33)

There is no way to receive the benefits without salvation. Victory is in Christ. Plant your feet in the Word and recognize Christ as the source as we journey through life. Having salvation reminds us to *be still and know that God is with us*. God is in control.

Testimony (I Peter 5:10)

Having your own testimony is important. We cannot be ashamed of our testimony. It strengthens us, it encourages us and brings us closer to God.

"Your testimony is a sign of victory to show that you have gotten to the other side." -Dr. Tamica Smith Jones

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