

_____ ¹ troubles of any kind come your way, consider it an
_____ ² for great joy.

God has not placed you to _____ ³ you.

Our _____ ⁴ and _____ ⁵ have the power to _____ ⁶ others
around us from _____ ⁷.

The way we _____ ⁸ has the power to _____ ⁹ other's
_____ ¹⁰.

The world needs followers of Jesus who do not _____ ¹¹ their
_____ ¹² because they are too busy _____ ¹³ other's
_____ ¹⁴.

For my yoke is _____ ¹⁵, and my burden is _____ ¹⁶.

1. Have you ever believed that following Jesus would automatically solve your problems, and how has that belief been challenged?
2. How does James 1:2–4 reshape your perspective on going through trials in life?
3. Can you think of a time when a closed door in your life later made sense as part of God's plan?
4. How might your worship and faith in hard times impact those around you, like Paul and Silas?
5. In what ways do you relate more to the recliner or the wheelbarrow—living for comfort or living on mission?
6. What assignment might God be calling you to that you've been hesitant to embrace?
7. How do Teresa of Avila's words about being Christ's hands and feet inspire or challenge you?
8. What does "picking up your cross" look like in your current season of life, and is it worth it?