

TEXT: James 1:1-8

TITLE: "When Rough Waters Come"

→ God brings trials into the life of a Christian that he or she may become spiritually mature.

Many of you have experienced trials. They come in all kinds of shapes and forms:

→ *A trial is an interruption into my life which produces a _____, frustration, and spiritual t_____.*

1. The P _____ Before Trials

→ 1:2

**"When trials come, I WILL r_____ in the Lord!" (It is a command!)*

A. The Speaker of This Instruction—James

→ 1:1

B. The Audience of This Instruction

C. The Message of This Instruction

2. The P _____ During Trials

→ 1:3-4

**"I rejoice because God wants to produce in me c_____ and spiritual m_____!"*

A. The Testing of Our Faith

B. The Producing of "Endurance"

C. The Growing into Maturity

3. The P _____ because of Trials

→ 1:5a

** "I don't understand why G_____ allowed this to h_____ to me."*

A. We have a Need for Wisdom

B. We have a Need for Full Reliance on God

4. The P _____ through Trials

→ 1:5b-8

** "God will l_____ to me!"*

A. We Need to Keep on Asking

→ 1:5b

B. We Must Keep on Believing--Ask in Faith

→ 1:6b-8

C. We Will Receive from the Lord!

→ 1:5

5. The P _____ after Trials

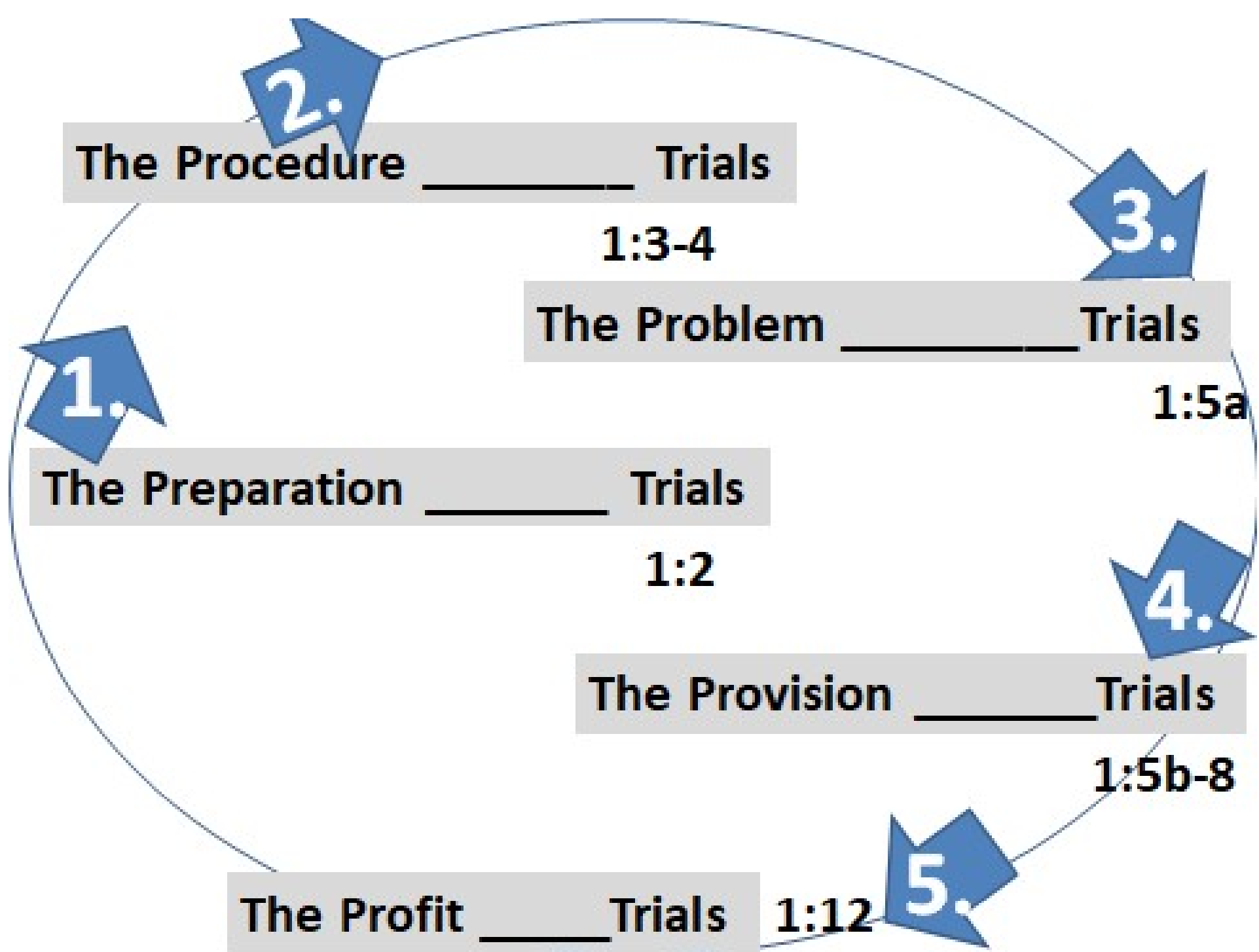
→ 1:12

** "God will r_____ those who let patience have its work!"*

A. God Calls "Blessed" those Who Endure Trials.

B. God Gives the Crown of Life to those Loving Him through Trial.

APPLICATIONS:



The Procedure _____ Trials

1:3-4

The Problem _____ Trials

1:5a

The Preparation _____ Trials

1:2

The Provision _____ Trials

1:5b-8

The Profit _____ Trials

1:12