

A woman with long dark hair, wearing a white lace dress and a straw hat, is seen from behind, sitting on a dark metal park bench. She is looking out over a green lawn and a body of water. The text "Facing Trials with Joy" is overlaid on the image in a large, white, serif font.

Facing Trials with Joy

Acts 11:27 - 12:25

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HOW???

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Trials Faced

— Famine

— Persecution

Famine

Famine

Love

Famine

Love

Aid

Famine

Love

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Action

Famine

Count it Joy

Help

Brethren

Love

Aid

Action

Persecution

Persecution

Pray

Persecution

Pray

Trust

Persecution

Pray

Trust

Seek Brethren

Persecution

Pray

Trust

Seek Brethren

Pray More

Persecution

Count it Joy

**Draw closer
to God &
brethren**

Pray

Trust

Seek Brethren

Pray More

Facing Trials with Joy

Help Brethren

Draw closer to God & brethren

**We implore you on
behalf of Christ,
be reconciled to God.**

2 Corinthians 5:20



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Synopsis: We often focus on the early church's successes and neglect some of the trials they faced. In this lesson we'll learn that trials can be faced with joy when we use them as an opportunity to help each other and to draw closer to God and our brothers.

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“Let all that you do be done with love.”