

Romans Series

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The Epistle to the ROMANS

Virtue and Character Development Romans 5:3–5



Rom. 5:2, “through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope (confidence) of the glory of God.

Rom. 5:3, “And not only that, but we also rejoice (glory, NJV) in adversities, (because we) knowing that adversity produces endurance;

Rom. 5:4, “and endurance, character; and character, confidence (hope).

Rom. 5:5, “Now hope (confidence in God) does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.”

The Doctrine of the Believer's Hope

Part 1:

The Believer's Hope in Paul's Epistle to the Romans, A summary

Hope is not a fruit of the Spirit, but is a mental attitude developed in the believer through the application of Scripture so that we can endure through trials.

Hope is based on a past promise of a future reality.

Hope provides the believer with confidence in future reality so certain that it strengthens and toughens the believer's mentality today to face, fight, and surmount unpleasant circumstances with a mentality of joy in the midst of difficulty.

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Part 2: Paul's Emphasis on Hope

A summary

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Part 3: Other's Emphasis on Hope

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Heb. 3:6, “but Christ as a Son over His own house, whose house we are if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm to the end.”

Heb. 6:11, “And we desire that each one of you show the same diligence to the full assurance of hope until the end,”

Heb. 6:18, “that by two immutable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we might have strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold of the hope set before us.”

Heb. 7:19, “for the law made nothing perfect; on the other hand, there is the bringing in of a better hope, through which we draw near to God.”

Heb. 10:23, “Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful.”

1 Pet. 1:3, “Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,”

1 Pet. 1:21, “who through Him believe in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.”

1 Pet. 3:15, “But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear;”

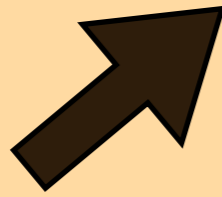
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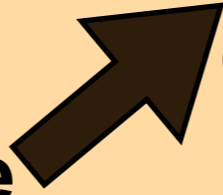
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endurance
(*hupomone*)



tested, approved
character
(*dokime*)



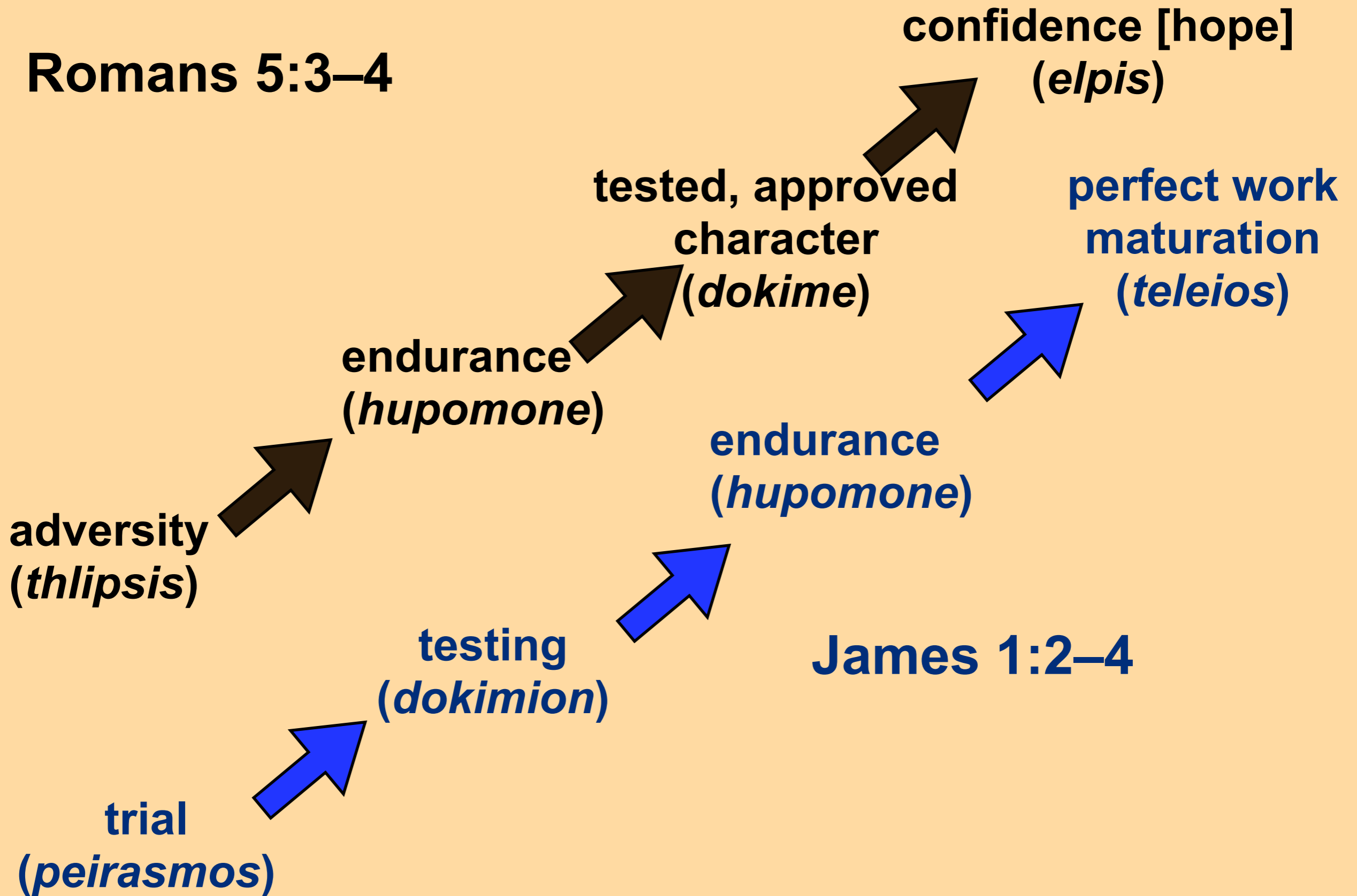
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(*elpis*)

James 1:2, “My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials,

James 1:3, “because you know that the testing of your faith produces endurance (*hupomone*).

James 1:4, “But let endurance (*hupomone*) have its maturing work, that you may be perfect (mature) and complete, lacking nothing.”

Romans 5:3–4



James 1:5, “If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him.

James 1:6, “But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind.”

2 Pet. 1:3, “as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue,

2 Pet. 1:4, “by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.”