## Week 11: Growing Through Trials

## Scripture Reading:

"My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience." - James 1:2-3

## **Opening Prayer:**

Open with a prayer asking for strength and wisdom to navigate life's trials and challenges, leaning on the gift of grace.

### **Devotional:**

Life is a mix of highs and lows, or peaks and valleys. While we all cherish the moments on the mountaintop, it's often in the depths of the valleys where we experience the most growth. Trials, challenging as they may seem, come with a purpose. They refine our faith, build our character, and draw us closer to God. Instead of questioning "Why me?", consider pondering, "What can I learn?" With God's gift of grace by our side, every trial can transform into an opportunity for growth.

#### Discussion:

- 1. Why does God allow trials in our lives? (Romans 5:3-5)
- 2. How can we maintain our faith and trust in God during challenging times? (1 Peter 1:6-7)
- 3. Share a trial you've faced and how it fortified your relationship with God.

# Activity:

Talk about challenges you've faced and the spiritual lessons you've learned from them, reflecting on God's guiding grace.

# Closing Prayer:

End with a prayer seeking God's comfort in trials and expressing gratitude for the growth that comes from them.