

# Encouraging Scriptures For Hard Times



God is our refuge, and when we face hard times the first place we should turn is to His Word.

The following scriptures will strengthen and encourage you as you meditate on them and use them to pray about your situation.

## **James 1:2-4 NIV**

Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

## **James 1:12 NIV**

Blessed is the one who perseveres under trial because, having stood the test, that person will receive the crown of life that the Lord has promised to those who love him.

### **Psalm 34:19 NIV**

The righteous person may have many troubles, but the LORD delivers him from them all;

### **Isaiah 41:10 NIV**

So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

### **Isaiah 41:13 NIV**

For I am the LORD your God who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, Do not fear; I will help you.

### **Psalm 94:14 NIV**

For the LORD will not reject his people; he will never forsake his inheritance.

### **Romans 8:17-18 NIV**

Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory. I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us.

### **Romans 8:28 NIV**

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

### **Philippians 1:6 NIV**

being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

### **Isaiah 46:4 NIV**

Even to your old age and gray hairs I am he, I am he who will sustain you. I have made you and I will carry you; I will sustain you and I will rescue you.