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Romans 5:1-5

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Seeing DIFFICULTIES
DIFFERENTLY

Kalalau Trailhead



*Savor the Moment
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Ke'e Beach

Kalalau Trailhead

Hā'ena State Park

Hanakāpī'ai Beach

Hanakāpī'ai Falls

**We don't like it,
but it's **true**...**



Romans 5:1-5 (NLT)

Therefore, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith, we have peace with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us.

Because of our faith, Christ has brought us into this place of undeserved privilege where we now stand, and we confidently and joyfully look forward to sharing God's glory.

We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they help us develop endurance. And endurance develops strength of character, and character strengthens our confident hope of salvation. And this hope will not lead to disappointment. For we know how dearly God loves us, because he has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love.

We
WILL HAVE
DIFFICULTIES.

Troubles
Hardships
Problems
Trials
Temptations
Tribulations
Tests
Sufferings
Frustrations
Annoyances
Irritations
Persecutions
Adversities
Griefs
Disasters
Discomforts
Distresses
Miseries
Afflictions
Misfortunes
Tough breaks
Rough times
Hard knocks

There is NOT
a PATH TO GLORY
WHERE WE GET
TO BYPASS THE
ROCKY PLACES.

KALALAU TRAIL

A WILDLAND TRAIL

CAUTION: UNEVEN FOOTING BECAUSE OF
PROTRUDING ROOTS AND ROCKS, LOOSE DIRT
AND ROCKS, MUD AND SLIPPERY SURFACES.
TRAIL IS NARROW &/OR STEEP IN PLACES.
USE APPROPRIATE FOOTWEAR.
PROCEED AT YOUR OWN RISK

DEPT OF LAND & NATURAL RESOURCES

HANAKAPIA
BEACH
WARNING!

DO NOT GO
NEAR THE WATER

UNSEEN
CURRENTS
HAVE KILLED

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VISITORS.

The Difficulties + My Faith + God's Grace



Exercising Faith in Difficult Times

Keep doing your
DISCIPLINES.

Keep contact with your
COMMUNITY.

Keep trusting for
TOMORROW.



The Glorious Mountain View



Sufferings are insignificant to glory.
(Romans 8:18)

Knowing Christ beats everything.
(Jeremiah 9:23-24)

We are renewed daily.
(2 Corinthians 4:16)

When I'm weak, I'm strong.
(2 Corinthians 12:10)

Those who endure get crowns.
(James 1:12)



Nothing can separate
us from God's love.



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Extras

- Romans 8:35, 37-39
- 2 Corinthians 4:1, 7-12, 16-18
- 2 Corinthians 12:7b-10
- James 1:2-4, 12-18
- Hebrews 12:1-3

- Name 3 difficulties in your life right now. Which of the words on slide #6 would you also use for these three difficulties?
- Agree/Disagree: Perseverance is the same as patience.
- How have you experienced personally or witnessed in others the truth of “We have to walk the rocks to see the mountain view”?
- Of the “viewpoints” listed on slide #11...Which have you already come to own? Which ones have you yet to experience firsthand?