



## **I Peter 1:6b - The Challenge to the Believer's Joy**

*“though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness  
through manifold temptations”*

- 1. The Challenge: testing. *manifold temptations***
  - A. Our tests are numerous.**
  - B. Our tests are diverse.**
  - C. Our tests can be complicated.**
- 2. The Necessity: tests are mandatory. *if need be***
  - A. Tests are necessary for growth.**
  - B. Tests are necessary for influence.**
  - C. Tests are necessary for reward.**
- 3. The Duration: tests are temporary. *now for a season***
  - A. They will last for a set time.**
  - B. They will last for an amount of time unknown to us.**
  - C. They will last for a comparatively short time.**
- 4. The Effect: tests bring grief. *ye are in heaviness***
  - A. Grief reveals the presence of my joy.**
  - B. Grief reveals the strength of my joy.**
  - C. Grief reveals the value of my joy.**

*There is not a temptation which the Word doth not arm you against.*