

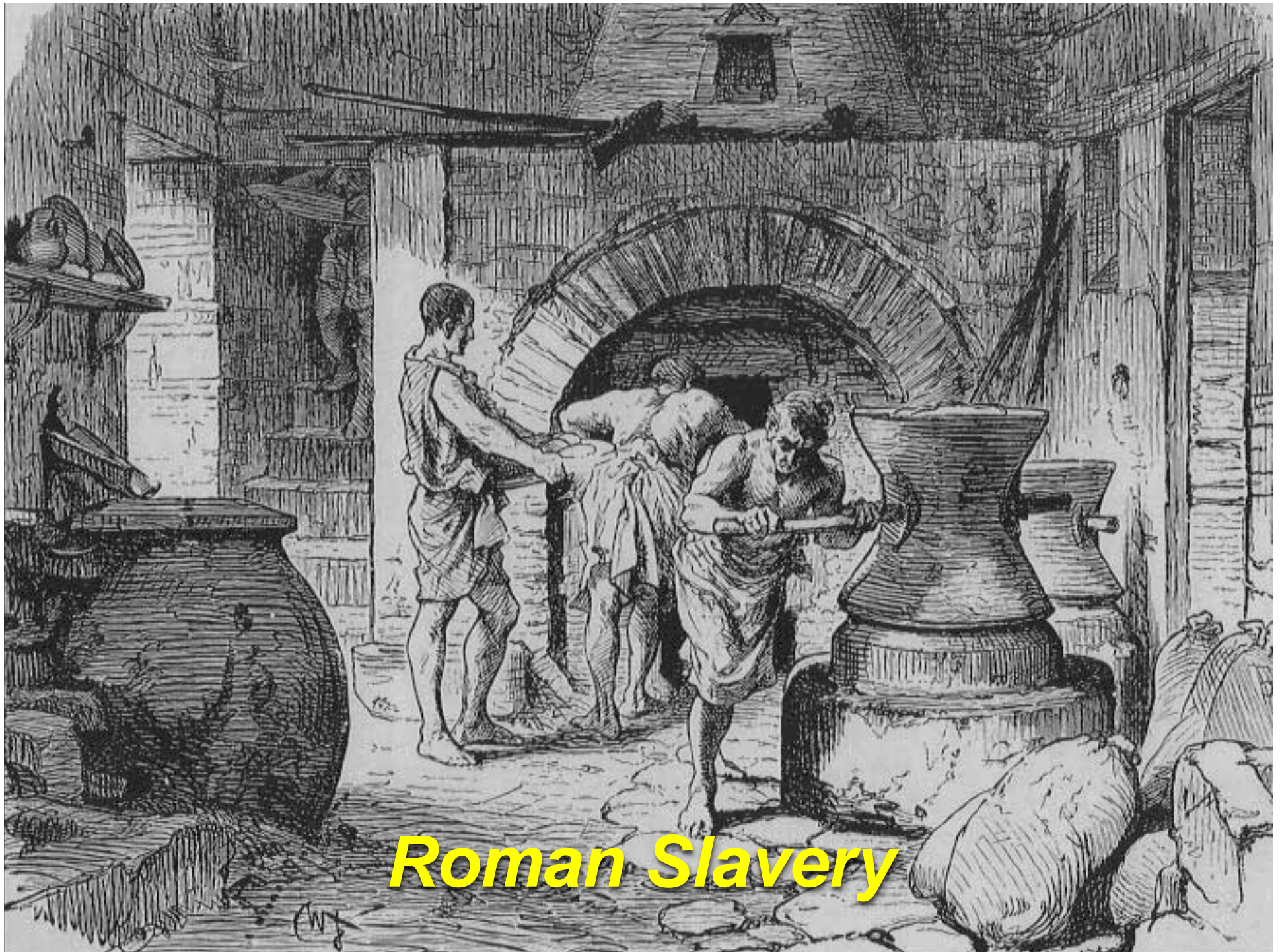
Choose To Be Blessed in Trials, part 1

James 1:2-4

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Story About A Test





Roman Slavery

Saving Faith Includes

John 1:12 - ***Children should be obedient***

John 15:16-16 - ***Jesus' friends will obey***

Romans 10:9 - ***Slaves obey masters***

1st Ingredient - Blessed In Trials

Consider It All Joy . . .



***“To respond with a
deliberate intelligent
decision”***



Falling Into Trouble

Examples of Various Trials

Matt. 4:24

2 Tim. 3:6

Titus 3:3

Heb. 13:9

**Tests in the
physical world**

Are

**Tests in the
spiritual world**

The Reason For Trials

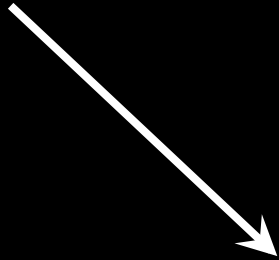
1. *Proves your faith*

2. *Produces Endurance* - *Like Making Gold*



Why Is Endurance Important?

Produces Spiritual Maturity



... Little - By - Little

Romans 5:3-4



Looking Ahead

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How Shall We Respond?

Ask yourself . . .

1. Am I Bitter or Better?

2. Am I joyful and submissive in my trials?

If so, then you are on the fast track to . . .

Spiritual Maturity!