

Seasons Of Sifting

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- Seasons by nature are temporary.
- Seasons are marked by change, not permanent like weather patterns & daylight hours.
- NO SEASON LASTS FOREVER.
- Our lives are also marked seasons of joy and sorrow.
- Sifting is the putting of a substance through a sieve or screen to isolate what's important so you can discard the rest.
- Nature of sifting is that you keep what you want and get rid of what you don't want.
- Life's circumstances – what sifts people, believers
- Our faith can be shaken to the core and made more pure & genuine

Jesus is Present with Purpose in our Seasons of Sifting

Scriptural instances of sifting... God is in control

Job 1, 2

Amos 9:9

Luke 22:31-34

Jesus is Present

1. Truthful –
 - a. Trials will come under Jesus watch
 - b. In our failure Jesus sees restoration
2. Trustworthy
 - a. Jesus prays for us, that our faith may not fail

Jesus has Purpose

1. Strengthen others
2. Strengthen our faith

Take Away

Our faith is sustained, we persevere in storms, trials, times of sifting

Storms continue but intensity decreases as faith, trust in Jesus increases

Jesus is the Gift in every Sift

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