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LIFE NOTES

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The Purpose of Pressure
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Key Scriptures

Revelation 3:17-22
Luke 12:35
Hebrews 12:14-16
James 1:2-4 (MSG)
2 Corinthians 4:16-18

Matthew 25:1-13 parable of the ten virgins
Isaiah 53:5
Colossians 1:11 (MSG)
1 Peter 1:3-7

Key Points

God uses pressure tests to awaken us to His eternal purpose

The wise virgins are consumed with the eternal purpose of the bridegroom. They have entered and are staying in His process/building work of transformation.

Pressure tests are part of God's process to transform us. (see 8 ways)

Jesus went through intense pressure in Gethsemane (oil press)
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nVENKLP82X8&feature=em-share_video_user

Our response to the test vitally effects whether we gain from it. (see 4 traps to avoid)

Questions

1. What are some of the ways God can use pressure tests for our good?
2. What part does His Eternal Purpose play?
3. What spoke to you most in this message?
4. What is God speaking to you right now that you need to take action on?

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