

**The Book of James: Living Authentically  
“When Life is Hard”  
James 1:1-18 (CSB)**

- 1. Learn to appreciate the trials I am in for the purposes they produce. (James 1:2-4 CSB)**

***Perspective Shift:*** Trials are temporary tools for God’s eternal purposes.

In trials, be ***willing*** to ***ask*** God for ***wisdom***. (James 1:5-8 CSB)

- 2. Times of difficulty often reveal areas of vulnerability.  
(James 1:13-15 CSB)**

Look for the ***steadiness*** of God in the ***shifting circumstances*** of life. (James 1:16-18 CSB)