

THE INTRODUCTION

JAMES 1:1-11

LOOKING BACK (Care and Accountability)

- Take a moment for everyone to share any highlights from the week and any recent difficulties or challenges. Then take a moment to pray for these things.
- · Ask, "What did you read this week and have you enjoyed prayer this week?"

LOOKING UP (Scripture and Questions)

- Summarize the teaching from James 1:1-11 and then have someone read it aloud.
- Pray and ask God to help the group learn together and obey what they learn.
- Discuss the following questions and support your answers with a verse in the passage:
 - 1. What would you say is the main point of this passage? (clarify where you see it)
 - 2. What is the reason that James gives on why we should make a commitment to face all trials with joy? What does this tell you about God?
 - 3. What might it mean to be a double-minded and unstable man when it comes to prayer?

LOOKING FORWARD (Goals and Commissioning)

- Set a goal as a group on how you can live out what you've learned this week.
- Ask, "Who can you care for this week, and who can you share this teaching with?"
- Pray and ask God to help everyone do what they committed to do this week.