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*James 1:25 (ESV)- But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing.*

## HISTORICAL CONTEXT

- ♦ James is the author.
- ♦ The half brother of Jesus
- ♦ Known as “James the Just”
- ♦ Leader of the church in Jerusalem for 20 years.

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## 1. THE POSITION

James 1:1 (ESV)- James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, To the twelve tribes in the Dispersion:

## 2. THE PERSECUTION

James 1:1 (ESV)- James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, To the twelve tribes in the Dispersion:

## 3. THE PERSPECTIVE

James 1:2 (ESV) Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds...

## 4. THE PURPOSE

James 1:3 (ESV)- for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness...

## 5. THE PROCESS

James 1:4 (ESV)- And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.

### Life Application Section

#### A. Don't be surprised by difficulties.

James 1:2 (ESV) Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds

#### B. Look for the lessons

James 1:2-3 (ESV) Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness

#### C. Let it work.

James 1:4 (ESV)- And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.

#### D. Ask for help.

James 1:5 (ESV)- If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him

**Here Is The Point:** For the follower of Jesus, our trials are for our good...