

GROWTH GROUP

Study Guide

The Great Reversal – James 1:9-11

My Story

1. What was your most treasured childhood possession? Did you share it with others?

Digging Deeper

2. How is it possible for a person of humble circumstances to glory or boast in his/her high position (v.9)?
3. James speaks of “glorying” in our situation in vv.9+10. Read Jeremiah 9:23-24. Based on this text, what is one legitimate human boast? Why is that “pride” good for wisdom?

4. According to vv.10-11, is prosperity a sin? Why/why not? Read Phil. 4:11-13. Why would we need to learn contentment in “prosperity”?

Reflection

5. Which is harder for you – living in plenty or living in want? In what ways is having more than enough or less than enough a problem?
6. Which do you find easier/harder – depending on God’s provision or depending on your own resources? How can you strive to maintain a proper Biblical perspective on this?

SERMON NOTES

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Taking the Next Step

Most people keep a record of their bank balances and investments. This week make a list of God's blessings in your life, along with some of His promises that speak to your heart. Keep it with your investment records to refer to often.

Praises / Prayer Requests

