

Main Idea (James 1:2-12)

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James 1:9-12

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 - **b.** Earthly Position is Transient (10-11)

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- 5. Live with an Eternal Perspective (12)

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