

# **Small Group Lesson 6** | Grow Together: Live Out

**Main Idea:** To allow the large and small challenges of everyday life become a place where I meet God and grow in patience, endurance, strength and joy.

#### **Get Connected:**

- How do you normally respond to the daily trials, problems and irritations of life?
- 2. What hinders you from being aware of God's presence in your daily life?
- 3. Share a time when you were experiencing a trial and the Holy Spirit prompted you to pause, pray and reconsider your response.

## In the Word:

#### Read Colossians 3:23-24 & Ecclesiastes 2:24

- 1. How does your attitude and experience of work change if you considered it as service to God?
- 2. What do you find satisfying about your work?
- 3. How do the daily challenges you face at home and work inform your spiritual growth?

## Read James 1:2-5

- 1. According to James, why are trials a cause for joy?
- 2. What does it mean to be complete, mature, not lacking anything?
- 3. How does perseverance help bring this about?

# Application:

- 1. Consider some of the activities of a "normal" day. How could you invite God into some of those activities?
- 2. Consider what frustrates you most at home and at work. How could God use that frustration for your spiritual growth?
- 3. In what area of your life do you most need God's wisdom?
- 4. Share how you are going to be more aware of God's presence in the coming week.



**Closing Prayer:** (Invite everyone to reflect upon their current everyday trials and challenges.)

Loving and faithful God, thank you for the many ways you are at work in our lives. Give us eyes to see and ears to hear how you are with us in every moment, so that we can consider it pure joy when we face trials. Let perseverance finish its work in us so we may become mature, complete, not lacking anything, in Jesus name, amen.

