The Genuineness of Your Faith
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   A. Joy & sorrow are not mutually exclusive
   B. Trials have a divine purpose
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II. The Refining Work of Trials  v. 7
   A. Trials demonstrate faith’s authenticity
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III. The Aspects of a Life of Faith  v. 8
    A. We love Jesus
    B. We believe Him
    C. We rejoice because of Him

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Conclusion: We walk by faith, not by sight