

James: A Faith that Works

Patient

James 5:7-12

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Opening Thought Questions:

How can the Church faithfully reflect Jesus in seasons of plenty or poverty?

Be Patient (7-9)

Patience, as a fruit of the Spirit, helps us _____ the love of _____ and the _____ of _____.

One way we observe the fruit of patience is when our growing _____ and appreciation far outpace the weeds of _____ and complaint.

Follow the Faithful Examples (10-11)

Examples of those who stayed the course....

- 1) P _____.
- 2) J _____.

How did Jesus teach his disciples patient endurance?

Jesus taught his disciples patient endurance by remaining _____ with them in a way that _____ upon them their _____ for and _____ on his strength, comfort, hope, and peace in the midst of the storm.

Wait on the Lord (12)

Speaking truth when facing suffering and persecution...

- Words advocating for _____.
- Words offering _____.
- Words encouraging _____.
- Words revealing _____.
- Words exposing _____.
- Words signaling _____.
- Words expressing _____.

Further Study

Matthew 5-7
James 1:5-6

Lk. 12:35-36
Matt. 25:1-13
James 4:11-12

Growing Patience

Heb. 12:1
Col. 3:12-13
1 Cor. 13:4-5
Rom. 12:12
Prov. 15:18
James 1:19-20
Gal. 5:22-23
Eph. 4:2
Rom. 8:25

James 1:3-4
Matt. 8:23-27
Mk. 4:38-40
Lk. 8:22-25

Ps. 141:3

Jesus' Final Words

Lk. 23:34
23:43
23:46
Jn. 19:26-30
Mk. 15:34

Next Week: Pastor Bob Reid

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<p style="text-align: center;">Get together as a family or with a friend or group of friends this week!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Start with <u>Prayer</u> -ask Jesus to guide our time together. Go over prayer requests together.</p> <p><u>Read the Text</u> – James 5:7-12</p> <p><u>Questions for Reflection & Discussion:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How does James use his words in verses 7-12 to speak to both the wealthy and the economically disadvantaged within his congregation? 2. What is the hope that is to help form and grow patience within the Christian congregation (vss.7-8)? Journal about or discuss how this hope has nurtured the growth of patience in your own journey. 3. How does grumbling or complaining against one another work against the formation and application of patience both within the congregation, and within our daily lives? (vs. 9) 4. Journal or discuss the examples that James offers as faithful illustrations of patience and suffering. Who are they? How does their testimony speak to their faithfulness in suffering? (vss. 10-11) 5. Placing verse 12 in the context of patience in suffering, what does this verse teach us about the evidence of patience? How does the nature, tone, and content of our words express our patience or lack thereof? <p><u>Questions guiding Spiritual Formation & Application:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How does this text invite us to grow in a greater love for God? 2. What lessons within this text move us towards growing in our love for one another? 3. What principles could be applied to our family life, careers, communities, or congregational life? 4. Consider how Jesus could use our application of the principles in this text to draw those that do not know him, unto himself? 5. Who is currently in our lives that needs an invitation to meet Jesus or be part of a kind and gracious Christian community? 	<p><u>Further Study</u></p> <p>Matthew 5-7 James 1:5-6 Lk. 12:35-36 Matt. 25:1-13 James 4:11-12</p> <p><u>Growing Patience</u></p> <p>Heb. 12:1 Col. 3:12-13 1 Cor. 13:4-5 Rom. 12:12 Prov. 15:18 James 1:19-20 Gal. 5:22-23 Eph. 4:2 Rom. 8:25 James 1:3-4 Matt. 8:23-27 Mk. 4:38-40 Lk. 8:22-25 Ps. 141:3</p> <p><u>Jesus' Final Words</u></p> <p>Lk. 23:34 23:43 23:46 Jn. 19:26-30 Mk. 15:34</p> <p><u>Prayer Requests</u></p> <p>Family</p> <p>Church</p> <p>Community</p> <p>Career/Friends</p> <p>Other</p>