

James

March 26: Patience in Suffering – James 5:7-12


Introduction


- Open your time in prayer and read the passage together.
- Give everyone 15 minutes to answer the five following questions: Write your answers after each question.
- Take one question at a time and have people share their answers.
- End your time by sharing and praying for one another.


Passage:

⁷ Be patient, therefore, brothers, until the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient about it, until it receives the early and the late rains. ⁸ You also, be patient. Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand. ⁹ Do not grumble against one another, brothers, so that you may not be judged; behold, the Judge is standing at the door. ¹⁰ As an example of suffering and patience, brothers, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord. ¹¹ Behold, we consider those blessed who remained steadfast. You have heard of the steadfastness of Job, and you have seen the purpose of the Lord, how the Lord is compassionate and merciful.


¹² But above all, my brothers, do not swear, either by heaven or by earth or by any other oath, but let your “yes” be yes and your “no” be no, so that you may not fall under condemnation.

 **-What stuck out to you in the passage?** This might be something significant (facts, details), it might be the way something is talked about (as a simile, metaphor or image) or a literary device used (lists, repetition, contrasts, comparisons, quotes, etc.).

 **-Do you have any questions from the passage?** Notice anything that is difficult to understand in the text, or a question the reader would like to ask the writer of the passage or the Lord.

 **-How do you see Jesus in the passage?** How does this passage relate to the person, nature, character, or work of Jesus?

 **-How can I apply this passage to my life?**

 **-Who is one person that could benefit from you sharing what you learned in this passage today?**

Close your time by sharing prayer requests and praying.