

# The Book of James Lesson 12: Materialism, Perseverance & Prayer: James 5:1-20

1. The responsibility of riches

James 5:1-6

# James 5:3 – New International Version

... you have hoarded wealth in the last days.

# 1 Timothy 6:17-19

It is not wrong to be rich.

There is a great \_\_\_\_\_\_ on those who have riches.

#### 2. Jesus is coming again.

#### James 5:7, 8

Be patient for the coming of the Lord.

We should not be sitting around waiting for Christ to return. We must be doing the business of a Christian.

# Luke 19:13

# 3. God judges Christians who grumble against each other.

#### James 5:9

Definition of GRUMBLE:

- \_\_\_\_\_
- Complain

• Comes from a root word which means to be an obstacle

Christians who cannot get along with each other and hold onto offenses become obstacles in the Body of Christ.

# 4. Suffering

# James 5:10

Definition of SUFFERING: \_\_\_\_\_

The suffering that the prophets experienced was suffering from persecution.

#### Definition of PATIENCE:

- Patience
- \_\_\_\_\_
- Steadfastness
- Perseverance in dealing with persecution

#### 5. Blessing comes with enduring persecution.

# James 5:11

#### 6. Be a person of integrity.

# **James 5:12**

You should be a person of your word.

Definition of JUDGMENT: \_\_\_\_\_

If you do not do what you say people will not take you seriously.

# 7. Healing comes from calling on the elders.

#### James 5:13-15

The initiative lies with the sick person in calling for the elders.

Anointing with oil is a point of contact for their faith. James stresses in verse fifteen that it is the prayer of faith that saves the sick person.

# 8. James continues with his instructions about healing and prayer.

# James 5:15, 16

Sometimes \_\_\_\_\_ can be the cause of \_\_\_\_\_

A more accurate translation from the Greek language would be the following: *The intense prayer of a righteous person has much power*.

# James 5:16 – Amplified Bible

*The earnest (heartfelt, continued) prayer of a righteous man makes tremendous power available [dynamic in its working].* 

# 9. We can learn how to pray from Elijah.

# James 5:17, 18

Elijah was a man just like us.

He prayed and got results. Therefore, we can \_\_\_\_\_

#### 1 Kings 18:41-45

#### 10. Once we are saved, can we walk away from it?

#### James 5:19, 20

Every New Testament letter was written to Christians.

"Among you" suggests that the one in sin is a member of the church.

Definition of SINNER: