



STUDY GUIDE TEN – FROM SERMON ON NOVEMBER 30

In this passage, James offers a strong warning to those who trust in wealth and exploit others, while also encouraging believers to remain patient and faithful amid suffering. He reminds us that God sees injustice and that endurance, grounded in hope and prayer, is vital in the Christian journey. As we study together, let's open our hearts to God's call for justice, patience, and integrity in our lives.

READ JAMES 5:1-6 TOGETHER

What warnings does James give to the rich in verses 1–3? Why does he use such strong language about their wealth?

How are the rich described as having “hoarded wealth” and “fattened” themselves for the day of slaughter? What does this imagery communicate?

How do you personally guard against placing security or identity in money or possessions?

READ JAMES 5:7-11 TOGETHER

Why does James encourage believers to be patient until the Lord's coming? How does the example of a farmer teach us about patience?

What can we learn from the perseverance of the prophets and Job (vv. 10–11)? How did their faithfulness inspire hope?

James warns, “Don't grumble against one another” (v. 9). Why do you think impatience and hardship often lead to grumbling? How can gratitude and trust in God help you avoid this attitude?

How does God's compassion in the midst of suffering (v. 11) encourage you in difficult times?

READ JAMES 5:12 TOGETHER

Why does James instruct believers to avoid swearing and instead let their “yes” be yes and their “no” be no? How does this relate to our integrity?

How can keeping our words honest and simple strengthen our witness?

WRAPPING IT UP

What steps can you take to practice generosity and justice with the resources God has entrusted to you?

When life feels unfair or you see injustice, how can remembering God's ultimate judgment shape your response?

What does patient endurance look like for you right now? Where do you struggle most to wait on God?

Close your time together by praying for one another.