

SUMMER SERMON SERIES 2022

JAMES

FAITH ⊕ ACTION

“Patience and Perseverance until the End” 5:7-20

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• **James 1:1.**

***James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ,
To the twelve tribes scattered among the nations***

• James 5:7

***⁷ Be patient, then, brothers and sisters,
until the Lord's coming.***

A Test of your Faith

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- Continue to **Minister** to one another V.13- 18
- Stay on **Mission**. V.19-20

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Why does God want us to be patient?

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***Waiting is part of God's will in our lives.
Waiting is not an accident, but a purpose.***

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1. "Because Waiting **is a space that God gives you to grow**"
2. Because When God puts you in the waiting room, He not only wants you to grow there, it's also in that **waiting He protects you!!**

Psalm 18

³⁰ *As for God, his way is perfect: The Lord's word is flawless; he shields all who take refuge in him.*

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3. Because it is in the waiting room that God wants to mold you.

- Jeremiah 18:1-6

- *¹This is the word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: ² "Go down to the potter's house, and there I will give you my message." ³ So I went down to the potter's house, and I saw him working at the wheel. ⁴ But the pot he was shaping from the clay was marred in his hands; so the potter formed it into another pot, shaping it as seemed best to him.*

- *⁵ Then the word of the Lord came to me. ⁶ He said, "Can I not do with you, Israel, as this potter does?" declares the Lord. "Like clay in the hand of the potter, so are you in my hand, Israel."*

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Galatians 6:9

9 Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.

How do you learn patience?

Rom. 5:3

³ *And not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces patience;*

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³ *knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience.*

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- ⁹ *Do not grumble against one another, brethren, lest you be condemned. Behold, the Judge is standing at the door! ¹⁰ My brethren, take the prophets, who spoke in the name of the Lord, as an example of suffering and patience. ¹¹ Indeed we count them blessed who endure. You have heard of the perseverance of Job and seen the end intended by the Lord—that the Lord is very compassionate and merciful. ¹² But above all, my brethren, do not swear, either by heaven or by earth or with any other oath. But let your “Yes” be “Yes,” and your “No,” “No,” lest you fall into judgment.*

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II. Continue to **Minister** to one another V.13- 18

- Pray and worship together
- ¹³ *Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing psalms.*

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II. Continue to Minister to one another V.13- 18

- Prayer, minister to the sick, repent if you have sin, prepare your hearts for when He comes...
- ¹⁴ *Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵ And the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven.*

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II. Continue to **Minister** to one another V.13- 18

- Ask for forgiveness and be at peace with each other / spiritual and emotional healing
- ¹⁶ *Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.*

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II. Continue to **Minister** to one another V.13- 18

- Use the power of Prayer you will see the results the fruit
- *¹⁷ Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed earnestly that it would not rain; and it did not rain on the land for three years and six months. ¹⁸ And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth produced its fruit.*

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III. Stay on Mission. V.19-20

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¹⁹ Brethren, if anyone among you wanders from the truth, and someone turns him back, ²⁰ let him know that he who turns a sinner from the error of his way will save a soul from death and cover a multitude of sins.

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- 1 Peter 2
- 9 But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, to proclaim the virtues of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.
- 10 Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy....

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- Eze. 3:18

- ***¹⁸ When I say to a wicked person, 'You will surely die,' and you do not warn them or speak out to dissuade them from their evil ways in order to save their life, that wicked person will die for their sin, and I will hold you accountable for their blood.***

- **Acts 2:39**

For the promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off, as many as the Lord our God will call to Himself.”

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