

7 Be patient, then, brothers and sisters, until the Lord's coming. See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its valuable crop, patiently waiting for the autumn and spring rains. 8 You too, be patient and stand firm, because the Lord's coming is near. 9 Don't grumble against one another, brothers and sisters, or you will be judged. The Judge is standing at the door!

10 Brothers and sisters, as an example of patience in the face of suffering, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord. 11 As you know, we count as blessed those who have persevered. You have heard of Job's perseverance and have seen what the Lord finally brought about. The Lord is full of compassion and mercy.

12 Above all, my brothers and sisters, do not swear—not by heaven or by earth or by anything else. All you need to say is a simple "Yes" or "No." Otherwise you will be condemned.

V. 7 Be patient...Lord's coming.

- Already warned the rich about God's judgment (5:1-6)
- Patience
 - Needed now
 - 2 Peter 3:8-10
 - Active
 - Micah 6:8
 - Until the Return

V. 7b-8 the farmer

- Knows how to wait and work
 - Waiting for the right job
 - Birth of a child
 - Illness
 - Praying for a family member

- A farmer invests a lot of time in future hope
 - Jesus parable of the Sower (Matt 13, Mark 4 & Luke 8)
- Rich were fattened (v.5)
 - A patient life of faith permeates (James 1:2-4)

V.9 Don't grumble

- Difficult circumstances can lead to
 - Careless speech (3: 1-12)

V. 10-11 an example

- Prophets and Job
 - Hall of faith (Heb 11)
- Seen what the Lord brought about or “the goal of the Lord”

V. 12 above all

- No swearing and let your word be simple
 - Seems to have Jesus’ words in mind (Matt 5:34-37)

Notes:

James Series (Started Dec 28)	Bible Studies	Events
<p>James (The Art of Christian Living)</p> <p>Find the entire series, notes and audio here: https://www.redemption-church.net/sermons</p> <p>Lent Begins Wed. Feb 18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sun (Mar 1): The Spiritual Discipline of Suffering well (5:7-12) - Sun (Mar 8): Fearless Healing Prayer (5:13-20) - Why did Jesus have to die? series Begins (Mar 15, 22, 29 & Apr 5) 	<p>Wed. Studies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - March 4, 11, 18, 25 @ 7pm - Study Resources on website https://www.redemption-church.net/bible-studies/wed-bible-studies <p>Lent Begins Wed. Feb. 18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 40 days to Easter - Please see the resources on the Church website for fasting, prayer and spiritual disciplines. <p>https://www.redemption-church.net/bible-studies/lent</p> <p>Stay up on Studies and Resources https://www.redemption-church.net/</p>	<p>Women’s Fellowship</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sat March 7 <p>Men’s Fellowship</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sat March 21 <p>Thanks for visiting today. Please scan and fill out our information form. https://www.redemption-church.net/</p> 