

JAMES 5:7-11

{Sunday, January 26, 2020 A.D.}

James 4:13-15 {see also James 1:9-11}

¹³ Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go to such and such a city, and spend a year there and engage in business and make a profit."

¹⁴ Yet you do not know what your life will be like tomorrow.

You are *just* a vapor that appears for a little while and then vanishes away.

¹⁵ Instead, *you ought* to say, "If the Lord wills, we will live and also do this or that."

James 5:1-6 {see also James 1:14-15, James 3:14-18 & James 4:1-3}

¹ Come now, you rich, weep and howl for your miseries which are coming upon you.

² Your riches have rotted and your garments have become moth-eaten.

³ Your gold and your silver have rusted; and

their rust will be a witness against you and will consume your flesh like fire.

It is in the last days that you have stored up your treasure!

⁴ Behold, the pay of the laborers who mowed your fields, *and* which has been withheld by you, cries out *against you*; and

the outcry of those who did the harvesting has reached the ears of the Lord of Sabaoth.

⁵ You have lived luxuriously on the earth and led a life of wanton pleasure; you have fattened your hearts in a day of slaughter.

⁶ You have condemned and put to death the righteous *man*; he does not resist you.

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⁷ Therefore be patient, brethren, until the coming of the Lord.

The farmer waits for the precious produce of the soil, being patient about it, until it gets the early and late rains.

⁸ You too be patient; strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near.

⁹ Do not complain, brethren, against one another,

so that you yourselves may not be judged; behold, the Judge is standing right at the door.

¹⁰ As an example, brethren, of suffering and patience, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord. ¹¹ We count those blessed who endured. You have heard of the endurance of Job and have seen the outcome of the Lord's dealings,

that the Lord is full of compassion and is merciful.

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