

Study 7 the Danger of riches and the need for patience.

Review Week one

Evil...The process was that Our own Desires=Birth to Sin=Full grown=Death

Trials...The process was that Trials = Perseverance = Maturity

And we, out of all God's creation, became His...**PRIZED POSSESSION**

Cultivating faith and works working together while dealing with Trials

Review Week two

Listening and Doing...

Christian Ethics...First, real religion controls the tongue.

Salvation and Obedience...Second, real religion hears and does Gods Word

Illustration the mirror and the Engrafted Word...

Third, Real religion receives Gods Word.

A Warning against Prejudice

Cultivating faith and works working together to be a doer of Gods Word

Review Week 3

Faith without Good Deeds Is Dead

The obedience of Abraham in offering up his son Isaac was faith and works working together

The experience of Rahab was faith and works working together

We are His workmanship created to do good works.

Cultivating faith and works working together to do good works

Review Week 4

Controlling the Tongue... The Tongue needs to be Controlled

1. The first trait of the human tongue is that it is condemning.

2. The second trait of the human tongue is that it is controlling...like bit in the horses mouth...the rudder on a ship.. a spark to start a forest fire

3. The third trait of the human tongue is that it is corrupting...like poison or rust

4.The forth trait of the human tongue is that it is compromising...blessing and cursing out of same mouth.

Cultivating faith and works working together to control the tongue

Review week 5

True Wisdom Comes from God...and is Active

Just as faith without works is meaningless, so to wisdom that does not show itself in good deeds and good character is worthless.

Wisdom from above

<p>Pure...Peace-loving Considerate...Submissive Full of mercy...Good fruit Impartial</p>
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Wisdom From Below

<p>Earthly...Self-Serving Jealousy...Unspiritual Demonic... Disorder and evil</p>

Cultivating faith and works working together to practice wisdom from above

Review week 6

Warning Drawing Close to God

Warning Stop Slandering Each Other

Warning Don't Brag About Your Plans for the Future

Warning life is temporary like the morning fog

Cultivating faith and works working together to heed the warnings of God

Review Relationship of Jesus Sermon on the Mt and James

Matthew 7:1-5 “Do not judge, or you too will be judged. For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you. “Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother’s eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? How can you say to your brother, ‘Let me take the speck out of your eye,’ when all the time there is a plank in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother’s eye.

Cultivating faith and works working together by using the right cultivator



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Warning to the Rich

James 5:1—6 Look here, you rich people: Weep and groan with anguish because of all the terrible troubles ahead of you. Your wealth is rotting away, and your fine clothes are moth-eaten rags. Your gold and silver have become worthless. The very wealth you were counting on will eat away your flesh like fire. This treasure you have accumulated will stand as evidence against you on the day of judgment. For listen! Hear the cries of the field workers whom you have cheated of their pay.

The wages you held back cry out against you. The cries of those who harvest your fields have reached the ears of the Lord of Heaven's Armies. You have spent your years on earth in luxury, satisfying your every desire. You have fattened yourselves for the day of slaughter. You have condemned and killed innocent people, who do not resist you.

Looking out for OURSELVES.

James addresses the people who are only looking out for themselves. They looked only at their own bottom line. He's talking about landowners who fail to pay an agreed wage to workers merely to line their own pockets.

The rich face ruin. Why? Because wealth is sin? No! Because wealth becomes god, the expected source of security for eternity. Commitment to wealth breeds injustice, causing inhumane and uncaring treatment of the poor for whom God has special concern. To place top priority on wealth is sin. To gain wealth at the expense of other human beings is sin. To trust wealth instead of God is sin.

Nothing wrong in having possessions until possessions has you! Jesus told of a rich man who He loved that walked away because riches had him.

Someone ask me once how much more does a rich man need to be satisfied? My answer was a little bit more.

Winning the Lotto a blessing or a curse?



Jun 5, 2013 This new winner the 84 year old woman who just claimed 590.5 million dollars I don't know if she is really blessed or really cursed...Mainly because for that kind of scratch you can get over on a older person by getting a power of attorney document and socking them away in an old folks home...Now I really hope that doesn't happen...but I can just see people just circling waiting for her to pass on..



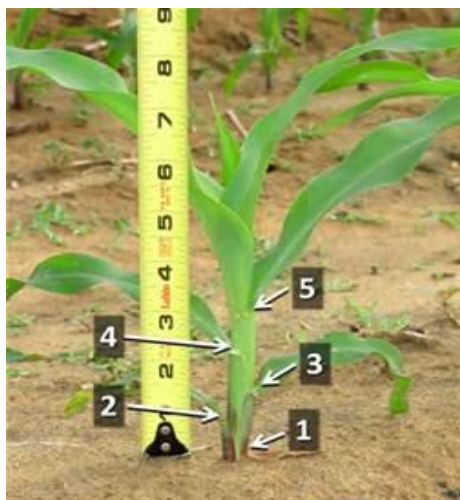
The highest-paid player in baseball this season in terms of cash received from salary and endorsements is Ryan Howard of the Philadelphia Phillies. Howard is in the third year of a five-year, \$125 million contract extension he signed in 2010. The deal was blasted at the time of the signing for being too rich, and it only looks worse now after Howard hit 25 home runs combined the last two years and missed 173 games due to injuries.

Babe Ruth, widely regarded as one of the greatest baseball players ever, earned an estimated \$910,696 (\$14,122,763 inflation-adjusted from 1931 dollars) over his entire playing career.

The rich can have what they want when they want it no waiting time NOW and God's Word speaks of the need and the value of patience.

The Farmer as an Example of Patience and Endurance

James 5:7 Dear brothers and sisters, be patient as you wait for the Lord's return. Consider the farmers who patiently wait for the rains in the fall and in the spring. They eagerly look for the valuable harvest to ripen.



Mark 4:26—29 Jesus said, “The kingdom of God is like a man who scatters seeds on the ground. He sleeps at night and is awake during the day. The seeds sprout and grow, although the man doesn't know how. The ground produces grain by itself. First the green blade appears then the head, then the head full of grain. As soon as the grain is ready, he cuts it with a sickle, because harvest time has come.”

The Second Coming of Christ a lesson of patience

James 5:8—9 You, too, must be patient. Take courage, for the coming of the Lord is near. Don't grumble about each other, brothers and sisters, or you will be judged. For look—the Judge is standing at the door!



James uses Christ's second coming as an exhortation to patience, he expected the coming of Christ was soon. Christians in every age must expect the return of the Lord in their lifetime.

Behold I stand at the door and knock!

What we will be isn't completely clear yet. We do know that when Christ appears we will be like him because we will see him as he is. So all people who have this confidence in Christ keep themselves pure, as Christ is pure.

The Old Testament Prophets as examples

James 5:10—11 For examples of patience in suffering, dear brothers and sisters, look at the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

We give great honor to those who endure under suffering. For instance, you know about Job, a man of great endurance. You can see how the Lord was kind to him at the end, for the Lord is full of tenderness and mercy.



Christian endurance is not our instinctive response but a learned way of life. Studying the examples of heroes of perseverance like Job and the prophets can help us be patient as we wait for God to show His mercy to us.

Suffering tempts us to question God's care for us; James called for perseverance, trusting God's love, mercy, and compassion.

I Corinthians 10:11—12 These things happened to make them an example for others. These things were written down as a warning for us who are living in the closing days of history. So, people who think they are standing firmly should be careful that they don't fall.

Cultivating faith and works working together, so as to help us to be patience, this will not come by having riches.

Questions and Comments