

James wraps up his letter to the churches with advice to cover their circumstances in patient prayer with one another.

theme of _____ and _____ in times of struggle or uncertainty that we see in the letter of James

our times of patience and perseverance remind us of _____

patience and perseverance are not just about _____ — it is the _____ of the _____ for _____

we are more _____ of God's sanctifying work in us when we _____

Greek *astheno* "sick" = _____

Greek *sozo* "well" = _____

our prayers move us towards greater _____ with our _____ in times of patient perseverance

Outward Wisdom

James 5:7–16 (NIV)



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.

¹³ Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. ¹⁴ Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵ And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven. ¹⁶ Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.

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Understanding the Bible:
What is the problem being
expressed in this Bible passage?

How does God show up in this Bible Passage?

Why does James tell the people to be patient?

My favorite song today:

Things I will pray for this week:

Today's Bible Passage: James 5:7-16

(Can you find the highlighted words?)

C H M A S D O O R H S H
 J B G T C Y T J C K I G
 R P I F R N H A U R C K
 X A N Y O N E B E D K K
 W T U S P F R Y R F G A
 Y I R T D A A O F R E E
 A E J N U R L B I Y L E
 P N A L P M R E R P L C
 C T O X J E N C M B A S
 S I S T E R S A M K N P
 O T O J H T X U M I D R
 B R O T H E R S S E D A
 C O M I N G R E F S U Y

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. You too, be **patient** and **stand firm**, **because** the **Lord's coming** is near. Don't **grumble** against one **another**, **brothers** and

sisters, or you will be judged. The **Judge** is standing at the **door!** **Brothers** and **sisters**, as an **example** of patience in the face of suffering, take the prophets who spoke in the **name** of the **Lord**. 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. 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. Is **anyone** among you in trouble? Let them **pray**. Is **anyone** happy? Let them sing songs of praise. Is **anyone** among you **sick**? Let them call the elders of the church to **pray** over them and anoint them with oil in the **name** of the **Lord**. And the **prayer** offered in faith will make the **sick person** well; the **Lord** will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven. Therefore confess your **sins** to **each other** and **pray** for **each other** so that you may be healed. The **prayer** of a righteous **person** is powerful and effective.