

James - Practical Living

13 - Patiently Enduring

09:55 am **5 Min. Count Down - VIDEO**

10:00 am ****LIVE Worship –**

10:25 am ****LIVE In House Welcome –**

WELCOME to The Peak CC

Welcome our Church Online Platform –

We are so glad you could join us as we worship the Lord & expound on His Word.

If this is your 1st time or perhaps you've been with us before but haven't engaged... Please fill out

***Online Connect Card * -> RightNow Media**

10:30 AM ****Announcements Video** - Tithing

10:32am LIVE SHOT – Welcome - Pastor *Self Intro* -

The Peak Journey: 9am Sundays @ Balcony - Breakfast & Talk

Sunday School: 1st things 1st 9am Sundays 2nd floor.

Life Groups Home Groups 7pm Mon Nights - 7/3/2023 - Sam Awuku

Men's Fellowship 8:30 am 1st & 3rd Saturday - Breakfast

AUGUST 1st Next Tuesday NATIONAL NIGHT OUT Pugslie park 4pm VENDOR Table

STAY TUNED : BAPTISM - Sign-ups - August 12th at Lake Welch

The PEAK Journey next outreach being planned

Pre-planning HARVEST FEST RIVERFRONT Oct 21st.

***Praying, fasting, volunteering.* - please reach out evelin@**

VIDEO - Sermon Bump / Intro *The Book of James

**Recap: Empty Grave: How Then Shall We Live? lessons learned -
From Pain to Purpose
From Death to Life - 1st Fruits
Be About it
Words Have Power (twice)
Up & Down Wisdom
L'eggo My EGO - The Stealth of PRIDE
To Judge or NOT to Judge
Commission, Omission, Submission
Reap 2 Sow**

app: Plug - giving platform - dog days of summer - continued support -

899 DL 17,203 app launches

TODAY: We answer the age-old question....

Why must the Righteous SUFFER?

Why do bad things happen to good people?

Matthew 5:45 NKJV

that you may be sons of your Father in heaven; *for He makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust.*

Jacob leaves these words of advice to us....

Jas 5:7–8 NKJV

Therefore be patient, brethren, until the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, waiting patiently for it until it receives the early and latter rain. You also be patient. Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand.

Therefore.... in context... Jacob has just laid out difficult moments & situations regarding living in a fallen world... He gives us practical advice and ultimately reminds us that there are times in life, in which we can do very little outside of ... Have patience... and be determined to NOT QUIT!!

He points us to the FARMER & the agricultural process of “sowing” & “Reaping”

Early rain & latter rain both are needed in waiting for the harvest.

Romans 8:18-25

New King James Version

From Suffering to Glory

For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. 19 For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the sons of God. 20 For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it in hope; 21 because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. 22 For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now. 23 Not only that, but we also who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body. 24 For we were saved in this hope, but hope that is seen is not hope; for why does one still hope for what he sees? 25 But if we hope for what we do not see, we eagerly wait for it with perseverance.

I WILL Persistently Resolve to be PATIENT

μακροθυμέω

makrothymeō

be patient, tranquil /Persevere

Patient Grk: Makrothymeō ① *to remain tranquil while waiting, have patience, wait*
② *to bear up under provocation without complaint, be patient, forbearing*

v.8 You also be patient. Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand.

9 Do not grumble (*Groan*) 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.

“until the coming of the Lord” - Anticipates an end to all exploitation and suffering.

Consequently, the oppressed should exercise self-control in their reaction to their oppressors (Rom 12:12; Heb 10:30).

Romans 12:12 New King James Version

12 rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer;

Hebrews 10:30 New King James Version

30 For we know Him who said, “Vengeance is Mine, I will repay,” says the Lord. And again, “The Lord will judge His people.”

5:8 the coming of the Lord is near!! First-century believers expected Christ to return in their lifetime & THIS is the way we ought to live... *Returning Expectation*

Jacob tells us that we should *consider the prophets who were especially persecuted, and therefore were especially “blessed.”*

***Job especially*—Though he showed much of impatience, yet he always returned to this, that he committed himself wholly to God, and at last showed a perfect spirit of enduring submission.**

Jas 5:12 NKJV

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.

oath The law required a person to be true to an oath they had taken (Lev 19:12). A person should avoid invoking God’s name in an oath that is false.

Le 19:11–12 NKJV

‘You shall not steal, nor deal falsely, nor lie to one another. 12 And you shall not swear by My name falsely, nor shall you profane the name of your God: I am the LORD.

This became a common practice in negotiations & arguments “*I swear to God*”

Let your yes be YES... *amen*?

C O M M U N I O N

1 Corinthians 10:16

**- The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ?
The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ?**



1 Corinthians 11:23-34 **New King James Version**

Institution of the Lord's Supper

For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you: that the Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread; 24 and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, [a]“Take, eat; this is My body which is [b]broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me.” 25 In the same manner He also took the cup after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

26 For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death till He comes.

CALL TO ACTION

The Lord says draw near unto Him... & He’ll draw near unto you... It’s up to YOU to make that move... Are you ready to be set free?

Would you give me an opportunity to pray for you right now? This altar is open.. for you..

Closing Prayer

**“The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord make His face shine upon you,
And be gracious to you,
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you,
And give you peace.”**

I bless you in the Name of the Father, & of the SON, & of the Holy Spirit... Amen!!

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