

James: Faith Lasts

James 4:13-5:20

MAIN IDEA: Faith that perseveres to the end is humble before the sovereignty of God, obedient to the will of God, confident in the justice of God, patient in suffering, trustworthy in speech, prayerful in sorrow, and loving towards sinners.

I. SEVEN CHARACTERISTICS OF FAITH THAT LASTS

- 1) _____ before the sovereignty of God (4:13-16)
- 2) _____ to the will of God (4:17)
 - **Sins of Commission:** doing what God has said not to do. Not doing bad things: murder, lie, steal, curse, sexual immorality, etc...
 - **Sins of Omission:** disregarding what God has said to do. Hearing the command of God to do something and choosing not to do it.
- 3) _____ in the justice of God (5:1-7)
 - a) He is coming to _____ the sinful.
 - b) He is coming to _____ the faithful.
- 4) _____ in suffering (5:7-11)
- 5) _____ in speech (5:12)
- 6) _____ in sorrow (5:13-18)
- 7) _____ toward sinners (5:19-20)

II. FAITH THAT WORKS

- a) Only possible by the gracious _____ of Christ.
- b) Played out in the context of the _____ of Christ
- c) Ultimately aimed toward great _____ to Christ

ANSWER KEY

I. SEVEN CHARACTERISTICS OF FAITH THAT LASTS

- 1) Humble ...
- 2) Obedient ...
- 3) Confident ...
 - a) ...judge ...
 - b) ...deliver...
- 4) Patient...
- 5) Trustworthy...
- 6) Prayerful...
- 7) Loving...

II. FAITH THAT WORKS

- a) ... gospel...
- b) ... body...
- c) ... glory...