Every Day Faith

A STUDY IN JAMES

James 5:7

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.

James 5:8-9

You too be patient; strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. Do not complain, brethren, against one another, so that you yourselves may not be judged; behold, the Judge is standing right at the door.

James 5:10

As an example, brethren, of suffering and patience, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

James 5:11

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.

Although we as a society are technologically advanced and have many comforts, we seem not very well equipped to handle difficulty, suffering and simply waiting.

Disappointment, frustration or difficulty can catapult us quickly into a crisis

Makrothumeo = patience lit. means long-suffering

Job 13:15
Though He slay me,
I will hope in Him.

Impatience with God will lead to impatience with others

1. Remember vs 11

2. Keep an eternal perspective vs 8

Isa 40:31

Yet those who wait for the Lord will gain new strength; They will mount up with wings like eagles, They will run and not get tired, They will walk and not become weary.