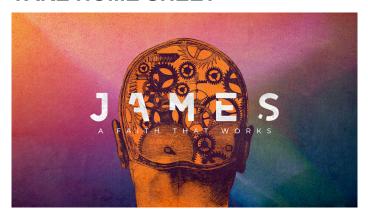


TAKE HOME SHEET



Series: James

Message: We're in This Together

Speaker: Rusty Coram Date: April 4/5, 2020

The message this weekend closes out our series in James. If you missed any of the messages or want to review, find them on our website or mobile app.

The best way to apply the things we've learned in this message is to join New Hope for our Prayer Night this Monday, April 6, from 7 - 9 pm. You can easily join with your phone, tablet or laptop by going to (link).

The following can help as you prepare to pray:

1. Is there anything in my life I should clear up with God? Any sin to confess or relationship to try and make right?

⁸ If we claim we have no sin, we are only fooling ourselves and not living in the truth. ⁹ But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness.

1 John 1:8-9 (NLT)

2. List the names of some of the people in your life, like family (including church family), friends, neighbors, co-workers, classmates, etc... Beside their name, write something to specifically ask for them.

3. Write out the names of government leaders and ask God to give them wisdom and courage to do what is right.

Pray this way for kings and all who are in authority so that we can live peaceful and quiet lives marked by godliness and dignity.

1 Timothy 2:2 (NLT)

4. Pray for God to give you compassion and boldness to reach out to people around you that are not followers of Jesus and invite them to take a step toward Him. This could range from inviting them to check out New Hope's online service, running an errand or asking how you can pray for them. Write down their names below.

Pray for me, too, and ask God to give me the right words as I boldly tell others about the Lord...

Ephesians 6:19 (TLB)

BIBLE TRANSLATIONS:

NLT – New Living Translation

TLB – The Living Bible



MESSAGE NOTES



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Throughout this series, we have explored the importance of wisdom, patience and perspective.

We have seen four ways God will use trials and hardships in our lives:

- 1. To reveal the condition of my faith.
- 2. To refine my faith.
- 3. To develop my faith.
- 4. To display my faith for the benefit of others.

 James' final instructions are essential for us today...

One of the privileges and benefits of being part of Jesus' church is <u>prayer</u>.

Prayer is always appropriate.

Prayer relies on God, not us.

Praying in faith <u>never demands</u> anything from God. But we can expect God to act!

16 Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results. 17 Elijah was as human as we are, and yet when he prayed earnestly that no rain would fall, none fell for three and a half years! 18 Then, when he prayed again, the sky sent down rain and the earth began to yield its crops. 19 My dear brothers and sisters, if someone among you wanders away from the truth and is brought back, 20 you can be sure that whoever brings the sinner back will save that person from death and bring about the forgiveness of many sins.

James 5:16-20 (NLT)

¹³ Are any of you suffering hardships? You should pray. Are any of you happy? You should sing praises. ¹⁴ Are any of you sick? You should call for the elders of the church to come and pray over you, anointing you with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵ Such a prayer offered in faith will heal the sick, and the Lord will make you well. And if you have committed any sins, you will be forgiven. ¹⁶ Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed.

James 5:13-16 (NLT)