

Repeated Words, Themes, and Ideas

6. Judge / Judgment, the wealthy who have hoarded their wealth, defrauded their laborers of their wages, lived in pleasure and luxury, fattened their hearts, condemned and murdered the just who don't resist them will be judged severely by the Lord of Sabaoth. He will slaughter them as a fatted calf, as their corrupted and corroded wealth testifies against them and eats their flesh like fire, 5:1-6. James' audience must not groan against their brethren, lest they be condemned by the Judge who's standing at the door, 5:9. James' audience must not take oaths of any kind, lest they fall into judgment, 5:12 (other places this appears: 1:13; 2:1-4, 6, 9, 13; 3:1; 4:11-12).
7. Lord / Jesus Christ, the cries of the laborers who were defrauded of their wages by the wealthy have reached the ears of the Lord of Sabaoth, 5:4. James' audience must be patient until the Lord's coming, as a farmer waits patiently for his crop during the slow growth season which requires the early and latter rain, 5:7. They must be patient and resolute because the coming of the Lord is near, 5:8. They must emulate the patient suffering of the Lord's prophets, 5:10. Those who endure suffering are blessed, as Job's perseverance was blessed by the Lord's mercy and compassion, 5:11. Those who are sick must call for the church elders so they can pray over them and anoint them with oil in the Lord's name, 5:14. The Lord answers believing prayers for the sick and thus heals them, and if their illness is due to sin, the Lord will forgive them, 5:15 (other places this appears: 1:1, 5-7, 12; 2:1, 6-7; 4:10, 12, 15).
8. Brethren, James urges his brethren to be patient until the Lord's coming, 5:7. James warns his brethren not to gripe against each other, lest they be condemned by the Lord who's standing at the door, 5:9. James wants his brethren to see the Lord's prophets as examples to follow of patient suffering, 5:10. James doesn't want his brethren to make oaths of any kind; instead, they should keep their word whenever they give it, lest they fall into judgment, 5:12. James wants them to turn their erring brother back to God's truth, 5:19 (other places this appears: 1:2, 16, 18, 19; 2:1, 5, 14, 15-16; 3:1, 10-12; 4:11).
9. Patient / Patience / Endure / Endurance, James wants them to be patient until the coming of the Lord: as a farmer waits patiently for his crop during the long growth season, their hearts must be resolute because the coming of the Lord is near, 5:7-8. They must look to the Lord's prophets, who spoke in the name of the Lord, as great examples of patient suffering, 5:10. Those who endure suffering are blessed: Job's perseverance was blessed by the Lord's compassion and mercy, 5:11. James urges those enduring suffering to pray, 5:13. Those enduring illness must call for the elders so they can pray over them and anoint them with oil in the Lord's name. And the Lord will answer the elders' believing prayers and heal the sick and if their illness is due to sin, the Lord will forgive them, 5:14-15 (other places this appears: 1:3, 4).
10. Trials / Testing / Temptation, they must be steadfast and wait patiently because the Lord's return is near. As a farmer waits patiently for his crop, they must be patient. This means they don't complain against their brethren or take oaths of any kind, lest they be condemned by the Lord who's standing at the door. Instead, they must keep their word anytime they give it and follow the Lord's prophets as example of patient suffering. Those who persevere through their trials are blessed by the Lord, as Job was, 5:7-12. Those among them suffering should pray. Those cheerful should sing. Those sick should call for the elders to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the Lord's name. They should confess their sins to and pray for one another. And if they believe their prayers like Elijah did, then the Lord will heal the sick and if their illness is due to sin, then the Lord will forgive them, 5:13-18. If one of their brethren wanders away from God's truth and another turns them back, they should know that he who turn a sinner from his erroneous way, saves a life from physical death and covers a host of sins, 5:19-20 (other places this appears: 1:2, 2-3, 12, 13-15; 2:1-13, 14-17, 21-24, 25).

11. Prayer, those suffering should pray, 5:13. Those sick should call for the elders to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the Lord's name and if the elders believe their prayer, then the Lord will heal the sick and if their illness is due to sin, the Lord will forgive them, 5:14-15. They should confess their sins to and pray for one another so that they'll be healed because the fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much, e.g., Elijah, who's just like you and me, prayed earnestly believing that it wouldn't rain and it didn't for 3 ½ years. And he prayed again and it rained and the earth produced its fruit, 5:16-18 (other places this appears: 1:5, 6-8; 4:2, 3).
12. Faith, prayers for the sick that are believed will save the sick: the Lord will heal them and if their illness is due to sin, He'll forgive them, 5:14-15 (other places this appears: 1:2-3, 5-6; 2:1, 5, 14, 15-17, 18, 20, 21-22, 21-24, 26).
13. God's Word, if any of their brethren wanders away from God's truth and one of them turns them back, they should know that he who turns a sinner from his sinful ways saves a life from physical death and covers a multitude of sins, 5:19 (other places this appears: 1:18, 21, 22, 23-25; 2:8, 9-12, 21-23; 4:5, 6, 11-12).