

11 **The General Epistle of James**

Lesson 21 Chapter 5:7-9

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unto the coming of the Lord. (3x,v.8, 1Th 4:15)

Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, (Amos 5:16)

and hath long patience for it, (5x, 1:3&4, 5:10&11)

until he receive the early and latter rain. (De 11:14, Ex 20:12, *contrast with Eph 6:3*)

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8 Be ye also patient; (1 Pe 2:20, He 6:15 *contrast with 2 Th 3:5*)

stablish your hearts: (1 Ch 29:18, Ps 10:17, *Contrast with the Body of Christ: 1 Th 3:13, 4:17-18, 2 Th 2:17*)

for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh. (1 Pe 4:7, *contrast with the Church: Ro 13:11*)

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Patient:

- 1 Peter 2:20 "For what glory is it, if, when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently? but if, when ye do well, and suffer for it, ye take it patiently, this is acceptable with God."

- Hebrews 6:15 "And so, after he had patiently endured, he obtained the promise."

How are we to behave today?

- 2 Thessalonians 3:5 "And the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God, and into the patient waiting for Christ."

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Stablish your hearts:

- 1 Chronicles 29:18 "O LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, our fathers, keep this for ever in the imagination of the thoughts of the heart of thy people, and prepare their heart unto thee: Margin: Or, *Stablish*. Ps 10:17.

- Psalm 10:17 "LORD, thou hast heard the desire of the humble: thou wilt prepare their heart, thou wilt cause thine ear to hear:"

Contrast with the Body of Christ:

- 1 Thessalonians 3:13 "To the end he may stablish your hearts unblameable in holiness before God, even our Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all his saints."

- 1 Thessalonians 4:17 "Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. 18 Wherefore comfort one another with these words."

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The coming of the Lord draweth nigh:

- 1 Peter 4:7 "But the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer."

Contrast with the church as it is High time:

- Romans 13:11 "And that, knowing the time, that now *it is* high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed."

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9 Grudge not one against another, (1 Pe 4:9, Le 19:18, Ps. 59:15, Mk 6:19,2 Co 9:7) brethren,

lest ye be condemned: (3:1, 5:6, 5:12, see Ex 22:9, Lk 6:37, *contrast with* Ro 2:1,1 Co 11:32)

behold, the judge standeth before the door. (Mt 24:33, Mk 13:28-29, Lk 13:25, Rev 3:20 *contrast with Paul* 1 Co 16:9, 2 Co 2:12, Col 4:3)

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Standeth before the door:

- Matthew 24:33 "So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors."
- Mark 13:28 "Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When her branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is near: 29 So ye in like manner, when ye shall see these things come to pass, know that it is nigh, even at the doors."
- Revelation 3:20 "Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me."

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Contrast with:

Acts 7:56 "And said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God."

Is the Lord Standing or Seated right now?

Romans 14:10 "But why dost thou judge thy brother? or why dost thou set at nought thy brother? for we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ."

2 Corinthians 5:10 "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad."

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Compare to a door:

- 1 Corinthians 16:9 "For a great door and effectual is opened unto me, and there are many adversaries."
- 2 Corinthians 2:12 "Furthermore, when I came to Troas to preach Christ's gospel, and a door was opened unto me of the Lord,"
- Colossians 4:3 "Withal praying also for us, that God would open unto us a door of utterance, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in bonds:"