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Living Faith Suffers Patiently



Be patient, therefore, brothers, until the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient about it, until it receives the early and the

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the late rains. You also, be patient.
Establish your hearts, for the coming
of the Lord is at hand.

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James' 3 Examples



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1. Patience of the farmer.



Question #1:
When will the fruit come?

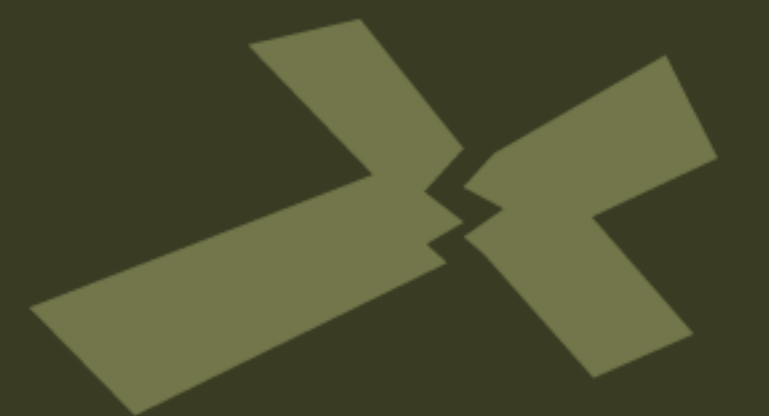


Temptation #1:
We rush ahead of God.



Lesson #1:

The coming of the Lord is at hand.



Do not grumble against one another,
brothers, so that you may not be
judged; behold, the Judge is
standing at the door. As an

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example of suffering and patience,
brothers, take the prophets who
spoke in the name of the Lord.
Behold, we consider those blessed
who remained steadfast.

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2. Patience of the prophets.



And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—who through faith

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conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in

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war, put foreign armies to flight.
Women received back their dead by
resurrection.

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Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, so that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment.

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They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword. They went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, mistreated— of whom the world

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was not worthy—wandering about in deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth.

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Question #2:
When will God avenge me?



Temptation #2:
We grumble and complain



Lesson #2:
God is the good judge.



You have heard of the steadfastness
of Job, and you have seen the
purpose of the Lord,
How the Lord is compassionate and
merciful.

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2. Patience of the prophets.
3. Patience of Job.



Question #3:
Why is this happening to me?



Temptation #3:
God is not good or present.



Lesson #3:
God has purposes,
compassion and mercy.



I had heard of you by the hearing of
the ear, but now my eye sees you.

Job 42:5



“God, if He was merely my accomplice, had betrayed me. If, on the other hand, He was my God, He had freed me.”

Elisabeth Elliot



