Series: James: Faith in Action Sermon: Be Patient and Pray Speaker: Edwin Perez

Daily Readings

Monday: James 1 Tuesday: James 2 Wednesday: James 3 Thursday: James 4 Friday: James 5 Saturday: John 19-20

Discussion Questions

- 1. Have someone in your group give a brief recap of Sunday's message, highlighting the primary Scripture points and the main idea of the message.
- 2. How did this message strengthen and/or correct your previous ideas about how to walk through suffering? Was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you? Did you learn anything new about God or yourself this week?
- 3. Read James 5:7-20: what words or phrases stand out to you? Can you summarize what James is communicating to his audience?
- 4. Look at James 5:7: How does Jesus' return provide hope to those who suffer injustice? How can this give you hope when you face injustice?
- 5. Look at James 5:8-9: Do you grumble against others when you suffer? If so, how? How do these verses warm against grumbling toward one another?
- 6. Look at James 5:10-12: How does the example of the prophets and Job model patience in suffering? What can you learn from this?
- 7. In what ways can you grow into a man or woman of your word?
- 8. Look at James 5:13-18: How does James encourage us to pray? How do these verses encourage you to pray?
- 9. Look at James 5:19-20: Is there someone you know in our church who is wandering from the Lord? How could you pray for them and encourage them to return to Christ?

Action Step

Because this week's sermon has to do with prayer, take time in your group for each person to share a prayer request. Write down these requests in your phone or journal and commit to praying for your group each day this week.