

PATIENCE IN SUFFERING

Text: James 5:7-12 Date: November 18, 2016

INTRODUCTION

- ❖ One the key themes of this letter is endurance amid suffering.
- ❖ Christians must learn to patiently wait on God when facing trials, troubles, and tribulation.
- ❖ James 5:7-12, gives us 3 beautiful pictures of patience that show us how to endure hardship.

MAIN POINTS

1. Be Patient like a farmer: waiting for the harvest. (v. 7-9)
 - A. Trusting God with what you cannot control. (v.7)
 - B. Honoring God with what you can control. (v.9)
2. Be Patient like a prophet: speaking the truth. (v. 10)
3. Be Patient like Job: hoping in God's purpose. (v.11)

CONCLUSION

- ❖ Patience is not manifested by grand verbal promises (v.12)
- ❖ Patience is exhibited when resisting temptation under trial which is the fruit of unwavering faithfulness to the Word of God.