

James 5

1. Why does James say it is bad to be rich? (v. 1-6) What did Jesus say about being rich? (see Mat. 19:23, Mark 10:23, Luke 12:13-21, Luke 12:33-34) What did Paul say about being rich? (see I Tim. 6:6-10, 17) What does the bible say is the right amount for us to have materially? (see Pro. 30:7-9, I Tim. 6:8) What are we to be rich in? (see Psa. 1:1-3, Psa. 119, Mat. 6:19-21, John 15:5-8, I Cor. 13:1-3, I Tim. 6:17-19) How rich are you? In what way?

2. How are we told to be when we are suffering, and what are we told to do? (v. 7-12) Who is given as an example of this? What else does the Bible teach about suffering and us? What happens to you when you are suffering, and what do you do?

3. What does James teach us about prayer: 1) If we are in trouble? (v.13) 2) If we are happy? (v.13) 3) If we are sick? (v.14-15) 4) If we are an elder? (v.14-15) 5) Concerning confessing to and praying for each other? (v.16) 6) Concerning how righteous we are? (v.16) What example does he use? (v. 17-18, and see I Kings 17:1, 18:1, 41-46) What do you do when you are in these various situations; do you remember to pray?