James #12

True endurance will have its perfect results.

Open back up in our current study of James chapter one RF.

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As a reminder - we are doing the Lord’s Supper on Resurrection weekend coming up on April 20th. I am going to take that weekend off with my wife.

So, the Resurrection Message will be uploaded possibly on that Friday the 18th.

I do holiday messages like the Resurrection, Christmas and a few others as a singular focus on that holiday. Usually a 45-minute message focused on the doctrinal significance. This gives you a solid focus on the holiday and still respecting your holiday time with friends and family.

These holiday messages are also easily digestible.

They can be shared with family or friends without them feeling overwhelmed by deep theology.

It is a good opportunity to invite a lost Bel or an Unbel to sit and study the Bible.

Jam 1:1 James, a bond-servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, To the twelve tribes who are dispersed abroad: Greetings.

[Jas 1:2](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/jas/1/2/s_1147002) Consider it all joy, my brothers *and sisters,* when you encounter various trials,

We looked into the doctrine of momentum testing through the lens of the life of Esther and Mordecai, as well as the incredible life of Job.

[Jas 1:3](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/jas/1/3/s_1147003) knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance.

A steadfast life of calm assurance.

/[Jas 1:4](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/jas/1/4/s_1147004) And let **endurance have its perfect result,** so that you may be **perfect and complete**, lacking in nothing.\

Now verses 3 and 4 build upon one another in a very creative fashion.

The testing and experience of continually growing and maturing produces a result.

/That produces something which is being built (present tense), which is divine *“patience,” (hypomonē)*. This refers to a stabilized faith on the inside, the consistency of the doctrinal inhale-exhale, the stabilized use of doctrine in our life. It comes to mean the ability to trust without wavering under the most adverse of circumstances.\

HOOP-ON-AH-MAY – as we noted last lesson, is not forced patience. It is a steadfast consistency.

To trust without wavering under the most adverse of circumstances, and even for prolonged periods of time, that is the characteristic of a SM Bel.

Patience is faith as a distance runner, divine patience does not struggle in the marathon race, it is well paced and prepared.

 REPEAT

In many contact sports – such as football, hockey, boxing or wrestling; the athlete can sometimes overcome a greater opponent by winning a war of attrition. Conditioning is the key to many victories in sports.

/ *“Fatigue makes cowards of us all.”*

*Originally - General George S. Patton Jr., adopted by a very famous, football coach Vince Lombardi.\*

Just as in any training, whether it be spiritually, physically or even mentally, there is long preparation, time - effort and energy leading into that final goal.

Jump over to Romans chapter five RF.

We as serious students of the word, can grow into a stable and steadfast Christian no matter what adversity comes our way.

God gives us all the tools for this growth and stabilized life – our LORD in fact, tells us many times that is the way to maturity and blessings;

/Isa 30:18 Therefore the LORD longs to be gracious to you, And therefore HE waits on high to have compassion on you. For the LORD is a God of justice; **How blessed are all those who long for Him.**

Psa 106:13 They quickly forgot His works; **They did not waitfor His plan**,\

The Hebrew verb – *ḥāḵâ* (HACH-HACH), written in the Qal stem is used here for a longer period of waiting.

It means to have a plan, which points to a long or drawn-out period of time.

Most Christians have human viewpoint in relation to Gods timing and HIS plan. Therefore, most Christians fail in the area of divine patience.

Now look at some of the eloquent building block principles the Apostle Paul teaches here for the congregation in Rome.

Rom 5:1 Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,

This emphasizes the fact that only faith can save, this is a unique use of the feminine noun, *pistis.*

/It emphasizes that there is no merit in faith, the merit is in the object of faith – Jesus Christ. This is a firm or confident faith because the target is steadfast and true – the person and work of Christ. Because you have faith in the truth of who and what TLJC is and has done, you are now eternally secure. This also means 40 grace gifts are imputed to you and blessings and rewards given in eternity past can now follow.\

The escrow account is unlocked at salvation.

[Rom 5:2](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/rom/5/2/s_1051002) through whom we also have obtained our introduction by faith into this grace in which we stand; and we celebrate in hope of the glory of God.

This is not a celebration of self…boasting in God is that gratitude which comes from maximum doctrine resident in the soul.

/[Rom 5:3](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/rom/5/3/s_1051003) And **not only *this****,* but we also **celebrate in our tribulations**, knowing that **tribulation brings about perseverance** (*hypomonē*);

It doesn’t say the short-cut or prosperity brings perseverance, it is the adversities, tests and attacks.\

HOOP-ON-OH-MAY – a steadfast consistency. This keeps on bringing about a change for the Bel.

A change from cosmic viewpoint in relation to patience and perseverance, toward a divine perspective and an inner strength in this area.

/[Rom 5:4](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/rom/5/4/s_1051004) and **perseverance, proven character**; and proven character, **hope**;

True integrity is built in the life of this Christian, this leads to blessings not from self, from God and HIS justice system.\

Everything is filtered through God’s justice system.

We notice again the building blocks – you do not side step building blocks. Each one is firmly implanted after a period of time…one builds upon another.

This divine integrity brings forth a real courage under pressure – not a pseudo courage. Not a braggadocios courage, this is stabilized courage from God’s integrity flowing in your life.

/[Rom 5:5](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/rom/5/5/s_1051005) and **hope does not disappoint**, because **the love of God has been poured out within our hearts** through the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

No blessing in life can be a disappointment because the capacity comes first. Occupation with the source (Christ) removes the disappointment.\

Eyes off the flesh and eyes on Christ.

Both capacity for blessing and occupation with Christ have the same source: a lifestyle of walking habitually in the justice of GOD – filled by God the HS with a maximum of Bible doctrine resident in the soul.

 REPEAT

Notice – it is only through the Holy Spirit who was given to us (CA).

Divine Patience (steadfast consistency) is what happens to faith when the Believer develops the edification complex of the soul. This type of patience is seen in a Bel with an ECS in adversity and using it.

Divine Patience – this steadfast consistency, is simply anything the edification complex will do while you are under pressure.

/The edification complex abides under pressure without bringing forth emotional responses and additional problems. The ECS functions under adversity, constantly producing everything from a firm faith rest, into grace orientation, and also into Divine Happiness (contentment). It is a security bubble or an umbrella against the downpour of pressure.\

The development of the edification complex of the soul is going to open up our study into the next few messages;

/[Jas 1:4](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/jas/1/4/s_1147004) And let **endurance have its perfect result,** so that you may be **perfect and complete**, lacking in nothing.

“*And let endurance have*” is a present, active, imperative – it is a command, keep on having patience (ESC under pressure). \

The active voice speaks to the volition of the Christian.

When the free will of a Bel aligns properly inside the plan of GOD these things will happen…it is the result.

*“Keep on having patience* - which leads to a “*perfect work*” — the adjective ‘perfect,’ refers to that which is completed, fully grown, fully developed.

 REPEAT

The question I have asked many times in the past year is, *what are you building in your soul structure?*

The adjective perfect in Jam 1:4 -describes part of this construction of the ECS under pressure.

/The word for *‘work’* means divine production, fruit of the Spirit with the application of the two power options. It doesn’t mean human works, witnessing or praying, it means having a firm faith-rest application, grace orientation and happiness under pressure. That divine production is a result that maturity is being achieved in your Christian-walk.\

This word “perfect,” which in this case means mature, complete, and has the concept of being fulfilled.

Lacking in nothing!

/To be perfect – *teleios,* speaks to a full or mature Christian, one who is lacking in nothing, full grown or completed. Not sinless perfection in your flesh, but a lifestyle that reflects Jesus Christ consistently. You do not break apart under pressure, you do not revert backward into the OSN. You maintain a steadfast faith in the face of pressure.\

The adjective -TELLY-US, speaks to a whole, a completion, nothing left out – all parts were fulfilled, no further effort is needed. IT IS FINISHED.

The greatest example of this is from our role model – the unique and perfect God-man upon the cross;

/Jhn 19:30 Therefore when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, “**It is finished!”** And He bowed His head and gave up His spirit.

He said one word -FINISHED, *teleō.* Mission complete, perfection and a full completion – the verb in the perfect tense, it was done once and forever.\

TELLA-LESS-OH – the verb from the same root word TELLY-US. Nothing is left out – you can add nothing to this.

The perfect, in the case of James 1:4 speaks to the entire goal being achieved.

It is only complete when we are in the nature of Christ, applying HIS mind and reaching levels of maturity.

 It means to go through the worst pressures in life and still be functioning at a high level.

/Therefore, you reach a stage where you can go through any storm in the world and that storm in your life can not damage the firm foundation of what you have built (ECS).

Jam 1:4 - Let the divine patience built within you, bring the full production (the ECS) during adversity, so that you may be mature, mentally intact, being deficient in nothing.\

This is why the early church leadership like the Apostle Peter and Paul kept warning about spiritual growth.

Without a firm foundation built within your soul, the adversities and tests will cause you to peel away from GOD.

/2Pet 3:18 But **grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ**. To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.\

Christians miss out on blessings in time as well as in eternity, due to a lack of focus on the mind of Christ.

They instead build upon emotional responses – which are sand castles on the beach of life, no solid foundation.

The waves of adversity roll in and their emotional structure collapses.

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/2Cor 13:5 **Test yourselves *to see* if you are in the faith**; examine yourselves! Or do you not recognize *this about* yourselves, that **Jesus Christ is in you**—unless indeed you fail the test? 6 But I expect that you will realize that **we ourselves do not fail the test**.\

The Apostle Paul is stating where are you on the construction of your soul structure? Test yourself… examine your life, to see if you are stepping backward or forward toward SM.

Because the Apostle Paul is stating the confidence in his walk with Christ, he knows where his own walk is headed. He is confident in those who follow the same path.

/Phl 1:9 And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with **knowledge and all discernment**,

Col 1:9 For this reason we also, since the day we heard *about it,* have not ceased praying for you and asking that **you may be filled with the knowledge** of His will in **all spiritual wisdom and understanding**, \