

James 5:7 (NIV)

Be patient, then, brothers, until the Lord's coming. See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its valuable crop and how patient he is for the autumn and spring rains.

James 5:8-9 (NIV)

You too, be patient and stand firm,
because the Lord's coming is near. ⁹ Don't
grumble against each other, brothers, or
you will be judged. The Judge is standing
at the door!

2 Peter 3:8-9 (NIV)

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**Be PATIENT the
Judge IS Coming**

James 5:7-9

PATIENCE is a good-natured
tolerance or acceptance of
DELAY or **INCOMPETENCE**. Bing

James 3:2 (NIV)

We all stumble in many ways. If anyone
is never at fault in what he SAYS,
he is a perfect man, able to keep his
whole body in check.

James 3:10 (NIV)

Out of the same mouth come
PRAISE and **CURSING**.

...this should not be.

PATIENCE is an Attitude of
long-suffering in the PRESENCE of
affliction and injustice.

PATIENCE is the ability to **ENDURE**
affliction WITHOUT complaining,
giving up, or retaliating while remaining
committed in OBEDIENCE to God. HNT

Believers are to be **PATIENT** and
Persevere with unbelievers who **OPPRESS**
them and they are to be **PATIENT** with
other **Christians** who **IRRITATE** them.

Expositors

→ The Farmer does **his PART**
- then he **has to TRUST** God
COMPLETELY

FAITH involves trusting **God** with
what we **cannot CONTROL.** CCE

→ The **SECOND Coming** of Christ-
will be a **HUGE Contrast**
with His **FIRST Coming**

Titus 2:11-12 (NIV)

For the **GRACE of God that brings salvation** has appeared to all men.

¹² It teaches us to say **NO** to **ungodliness** and **worldly passions**, and to live **self-controlled, upright and godly lives** in this present age,

Titus 2:13-14 (NIV)

¹³ while we **WAIT** for the blessed **HOPE** -
the glorious **APPEARING** of our **great**
God and Savior, Jesus Christ, ¹⁴ who
gave Himself for us to redeem us from all
wickedness and to purify for Himself a
people that are His very own,
eager to **do what is good.**

→ A Bitter **COMPLAINING** Heart -
will find it Hard to
Wait **PATIENTLY** for the Lord

Philippians 2:14-15 (ESV)

Do **ALL THINGS** without **grumbling** or **disputing**, ¹⁵ that you may be blameless and innocent, **children of God without blemish** in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom **you shine as lights in the world...**

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Psalm 119:66-67 (NIV)

Teach me knowledge and good judgment,
for I **believe** in **Your** commands.

⁶⁷ **Before** I was **AFFLICTED** I **went** astray,
but **NOW** I **obey** Your **WORD**.

God was **Glorified** and Job was
PURIFIED through this **PAINFUL**
experiences.

If there is Nothing to **ENDURE**,
you cannot Learn **ENDURANCE**.

Romans 5:1-2 (NIV)

¹ Therefore, since we have been **JUSTIFIED** through **FAITH**, **we have peace WITH God** through our Lord Jesus Christ,
² through whom we have gained access by faith into this **grace** in which we now stand.
And we **REJOICE** in the **HOPE** of the **glory of God.**

³ Not only so, but **we ALSO rejoice in our sufferings**, because we know that suffering produces **perseverance**;

⁴ perseverance, **character**; and character, **hope**. ⁵ And **HOPE** does not **disappoint us**, because **God has poured out His love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit**, whom He has **given us**.

We rejoice in suffering not because
we like **Pain** or **Deny** its **Tragedy**,
but because we know **God is USING**
life's Difficulties and **Satan's attacks**
to **BUILD** our **Character**. LAB

Why can we Rejoice in our Suffering?

- Suffering DEVELOPS **Perseverance**
- Perseverance DEVELOPS **Character**
- Character DEVELOPS **Hope**
- **HOPE** does not disappoint us because it
FLOWS from **GOD'S Love** for us

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because **God has poured out His love**
into our hearts by the **Holy Spirit**,
whom He has **given** us.

There is a **HOPE** that lifts my weary head,
A consolation strong against despair
That when the world has plunged me
in its **deepest pit**

I find the Savior there.

Through present sufferings, future's fear,

He whispers courage in my ear.

For I am safe in everlasting arms

And He will lead me home.

Galatians 6:7-8 (NIV)

Do not be deceived: **God cannot be mocked. A man REAPS what he SOWS.**

⁸ The one who sows to please his sinful nature, from that nature will reap destruction; the one who sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life.

Galatians 6:9 (NIV)

Let us **NOT** become **weary**
in **doing good**, for at the **PROPER** time
we will **REAP** a harvest
IF we do **NOT give up.**