



11 -WEEK STUDY IN THE BOOK OF JAMES

WEEK 10

“Endurance”

**James 5: 7-11
Hebrews 12:1-2**

WEEKLY READING

Primary text from this week: James 5:7-11

Secondary text from this week: Hebrews 12:1-2

Bonus Reading from this week: Hebrews 11

GETTING STARTED

Goals for this session: To be encouraged to persevere in this difficult season

Missed the sermon? Watch it at www.youtube.com/venturamissionary

Break the Ice: What is one thing you especially don't like to wait for?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Read **James 5:7-11** out loud in your group. James uses a word translated "patience" in the first few verses, and then switches to a word translated "perseverance." What do you think are some of the differences and similarities between patience and perseverance?
2. In **James 1:2-4**, what does James say will be the result of perseverance? How would you describe the relationship between perseverance and maturity?
3. Read **Romans 5:3-5**. What similarities do you notice between **James 1:2-4** and **Romans 5:3-5**. What differences do you notice between these two passages?
4. After listening to Pastor Doug's message, why do you think so many of the New Testament writers wrote about perseverance and endurance? How does that relate to the season we're in right now?
5. Bob Goff says: "The way we deal with our uncertainties says a lot about whether Jesus is ahead of us leading or just behind us carrying our stuff." How do you think this connects with Sunday's message?
6. What has COVID revealed might be hindering your ability to "run with perseverance?" Think of the examples Pastor Doug shared (self-reliance, addictions, economic dependence, selfishness, political hope). What might be some steps you can take this week to "throw off everything that hinders?"

PRAY

Pray on your own: Pray that God would reveal areas of your life that are hindering you from running with perseverance.

ACTION STEPS

Read **Hebrews 12:1-2** every day this week. Identify one of the five areas that Pastor Doug listed in Sunday's message (self-reliance, addictions, economic dependence, selfishness, political hope), and pray every day this week for God to show you how you can "throw off everything that hinders" so you can fix your eyes more fully on Jesus.

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