

A FAITH THAT KEEPS ME HOPEFUL

Book of James: A Faith That Works When Life Doesn't – Part 18

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"You must be patient. Keep your hopes high, for the day of the Lord's coming is near."
- James 5:8 (TEV)

"Do not give up hope!"
- James 5:8 (NCV, GW, ICB)

**HOW FAITH IN GOD AND HIS WORD
KEEPS US HOPEFUL IN DIFFICULT TIMES****WE HAVE HOPE...****1. BECAUSE WE KNOW THE _____ WON'T LAST**

"Take the old prophets as your mentors. They put up with anything, went through everything, and never once quit, all the time honoring God."

- James 5:10 (The Message)

"We fix our attention, not on the things that are seen, but on things that are unseen, because what can be seen is temporary and will last only for a short time, but what cannot be seen will last forever."
- 2 Corinthians 4:18 (TEV)

2. BECAUSE WE KNOW GOD WILL _____ IT FOR OUR GOOD

"My brothers and sisters, when you have many kinds of troubles, you should be full of joy, because you know that these troubles test your faith, and this will give you patience. So let it grow, for when your endurance is fully developed, you will be strong in character and ready for anything!"
- James 1:2-4 (NCV & NLT)

"These little troubles are getting us ready for an eternal glory that will make all our troubles seem like nothing."
2 Corinthians 4:17 (CEV)

3. BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT GETTING IRRITATED DOESN'T HELP

"...Always be slow to become angry because human anger will never achieve God's righteous purpose."
- James 1:19-20

"Don't complain or grumble against each other, or you will be judged by God who is standing right at the door!"
- James 5:9

4. BECAUSE WE KNOW _____ GOD PLEASES HIM

"Abraham believed God, and because of his faith God accepted him as righteous.' And so Abraham was called God's friend."
- James 2:23 (TEV)

5. BECAUSE WE KNOW _____ IS COMING BACK SOMEDAY

"Be patient. Stay steady and strong because the Lord could arrive at any time."
- James 5:8 (The Message)

6. BECAUSE WE KNOW THIS IS NOT THE END OF THE STORY

"What a gift life is to those who stay the course! You've heard of Job's staying power, and you know how God brought it all together for him at the end. That's because God cares, cares right down to the last detail."

- James 5:11 (The Message)

7. BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT WE WILL BE _____ ONE DAY

"Happy are those who remain faithful under trials, because when they succeed in passing such a test, they will receive as their REWARD the Life which God has promised to those who love him."
- James 1:12 (TEV)

"Every athlete in training submits to strict discipline in order to win a prize that will not last; but we do it for one that will last forever!" - 1 Corinthians 9:25 (TEV)

"So be glad! There is wonderful joy ahead, even though right now you've had to endure suffering trials and grief for a little while."
- 1 Peter 1:6

"What we suffer now is nothing compared to the glory He will give us later!"
- Romans 8:18 (NLT)

"There's no comparison between the present hard times and the coming good times!"
- Romans 8:18 (The Message)

讓我常存盼望的信心

雅各書：在人生困境中活出真信心—第十八部

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“你們也必須忍耐。你們要抱著堅定的希望，因為主再來的日子快到了。”

- 雅各書 5:8 (現中修訂版)

“不要放棄希望。”

- 雅各書 5:8 (NCV, GW, ICB 意譯)

對上帝和祂話語的信心， 如何讓我們在困難日子裏常存盼望

我們心存盼望...

1. 因為我們知道_____不會持續

“要以舊日的先知為師，他們忍受一切、經歷一切，他們從不放棄，總是尊崇上帝。”

- 雅各書 5:10 (信息本意譯)

“我們不是定睛於可見的事物，而是定睛於看不見的事物。因為可見的是暫時的，只會存留一陣子，但看不見的卻會長存。”

- 哥林多後書 4:18 (TEV 意譯)

2. 因為我們知道上帝會使用它，讓我們得着益處

“我的弟兄姊妹們，當你們遇到各種困難，你要滿心喜樂，因為你知道這些困難考驗你們的信心，也會使你有耐心。所以，讓它成長吧！讓它成長吧！因為當你充分培養你的忍耐力，你就會品格堅壯，準備好迎接一切。”

- 雅各書 1:2-4 (NCV & NLT 意譯)

“這些小問題讓我們準備好迎接永恆的榮耀，就使我們的一切困難看來微不足道。”

- 哥林多後書 4:17 (CEV 意譯)

3. 因為我們知道，_____根本無濟於事

總要慢慢的動怒，因為人的怒氣永不能達到上帝公義的目的。”

- 雅各書 1:19-20 (意譯)

“不要互相數落或埋怨，否則你會被站在門前的上帝所審判。”

- 雅各書 5:9 (意譯)

4. 因為我們知道，_____上帝能使祂喜悅

“亞伯拉罕相信上帝，而因為他的信心，上帝以他為義。」亞伯拉罕也就被稱為上帝的朋友。”

- 雅各書 2:23 (TEV)

5. 因為我們知道，_____有一天會再來

“要忍耐，要做醒堅壯，因為主隨時就會回來。”

- 雅各書 5:8 (信息本意譯)

6. 因為我們知道，這不是故事的結局

“生命是一份厚禮，賜給那堅持不懈的人，你聽說過約伯的堅持到底的力量，也知道上帝最後怎樣為他帶來圓滿結局。那是因為上帝關心，他關心每一個細節。”

- 雅各書 5:11 (信息本意譯)

7. 因為我們知道，我們終有一天會得到_____

“在考驗之下仍充滿信心的人是幸福的，因為當他們成功通過這考驗，他們就會得到獎賞，就是上帝應許給那愛他之人的生命。”

- 雅各書 1:12 (TEV 意譯)

“每個受訓的運動員都要服從嚴格的紀律，以求贏得不可永存的獎賞，但我們卻是為了那永存的獎賞而作！”

- 哥林多前書 9:25 (TEV 意譯)

“要歡欣！無比的喜樂就在前面，即使你現在必須忍受考驗和悲傷一陣子。”

- 彼得前書 1:6 (意譯)

“然而我們現在所受的苦難，跟他將來要向我們顯明的榮耀相比，是微不足道的。”

- 羅馬書 8:18 (新普及譯本)

“現在的艱難時刻，無法媲美將來的美好時光。”

- 羅馬書 8:18 (信息本意譯)