

Lesson Twelve — Summary

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Well, we have come to the end of our study in the Book of James. We began the study by looking at the historical setting of writing of this epistle, and then we glimpsed the book as a whole, looked at the individual sections of the book, and worked through each chapter. Now it would be good for us to recap. (Repetition is one of the best ways to learn!)

Since there are five chapters in the Book of James and five weekly study days, we will take one day for recapping or summarizing each chapter. Please don't succumb to the temptation to toss this week's lesson aside as not necessary. It will be helpful in tying the Book of James together for you as a whole. Let's get started.

Day One — James Chapter One

Today read James chapter one in its entirety from your observation sheets in the Appendix. Notice your marks and study notes. Once you have read it through completely, skim over Lessons Three and Four and recap what you learned. Also, be sure to skim your Lecture notes for Lessons Three and Four, making appropriate additions to your notes.

Now write out any new insights or reminders that come to mind today. This summary will be for your benefit in the time to come, so that you may go back to this summary and remember what you have learned.

Day Two — James Chapter Two

Today read James chapter two in its entirety from your observation sheet in the Appendix. Notice your marks and study notes. Once you have read it through completely, skim over Lessons Five and Six to recap what you learned. Also, be sure to skim your Lecture notes for the same lessons, making appropriate notes.

Now write out any new insights or reminders that come to mind today. This summary will be for your benefit in the time to come, so that you may go back to this summary and remember what you have learned.

Day Three — James Chapter Three

Today read James chapter three in its entirety from your observation sheet in the Appendix. Notice your marks and study notes. Once you have read it through completely, skim over Lesson Seven to recap what you learned. Also, be sure to skim your Lecture notes for this lesson, making appropriate notes.

Now write out any new insights or reminders that come to mind today. This summary will be for your benefit in the time to come, so that you may go back to this summary and remember what you have learned.

Day Four — James Chapter Four

Today read James chapter four in its entirety from your observation sheet in the Appendix. Notice your marks and study notes. Once you have read it through completely, skim over Lessons Eight and Nine to recap what you learned. Also, be sure to skim your Lecture notes for Lessons Eight and Nine, making appropriate notes.

Now write out any new insights or reminders that come to mind today. This summary will be for your benefit in the time to come, so that you may go back to this summary and remember what you have learned.

Day Five — James Chapter Five

Today read James chapter five in its entirety from your observation sheet in the Appendix. Notice your marks and study notes. Once you have read it through completely, skim over Lessons Ten and Eleven to recap what you learned. Also, be sure to skim your Lecture notes for these same lessons, making appropriate notes.

Now write out any new insights or reminders that come to mind today. This summary will be for your benefit in the time to come, so that you may go back to this summary and remember what you have learned.

As we close our study, I want to leave you with this chapter from 1 Thessalonians, written by Paul. Please read through it very thoughtfully and prayerfully. It is a loaded message for us today.

I Thessalonians

1 Now as to the times and the epochs, brethren, you have no need of anything to be written to you. **2** For you yourselves know full well that the day of the Lord will come just like a thief in the night. **3** While they are saying, "Peace and safety!" then destruction will come upon them suddenly like birth pangs upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape. **4** But you, brethren, are not in darkness, that the day should overtake you like a thief; **5** for you are all sons of light and sons of day. We are not of night nor of darkness; **6** so then let us not sleep as others do, but let us be alert and sober. **7** For those who sleep do their sleeping at night, and those who get drunk get drunk at night. **8** But since we are of the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet, the hope of salvation. **9** For God has not destined us for wrath, but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, **10** who died for us, that whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with Him. **11** Therefore encourage one another, and build up one another, just as you also are doing.

12 But we request of you, brethren, that you appreciate those who diligently labor among you, and have charge over you in the Lord and give you instruction, **13** and that you esteem them very highly in love because of their work. Live in peace with one another. **14** And we urge you, brethren, admonish the unruly, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with all men. **15** See that no one repays another with evil for evil, but always seek after that which is good for one another and for all men. **16** Rejoice always; **17** pray without ceasing; **18** in everything give thanks; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. **19** Do not quench the Spirit; **20** do not despise prophetic utterances. **21** But examine everything carefully; hold fast to that which is good; **22** abstain from every form of evil. **23** Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be preserved complete, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. **24** Faithful is He who calls you, and He also will bring it to pass.

25 Brethren, pray for us.

Maranatha!

