

DEEPER BIBLE STUDY

TABLE TALK

MAY 12, 2026 | WARNINGS FOR THE WICKED & PATIENCE FOR THE FAITHFUL

QUESTION 1 | Hoarding or Stewarding? *(Take 7 minutes)*

Read: Luke 12:15-21

- James warns that wealth which has been hoarded will actually testify against the rich on the day of judgment. In what ways might possessions, savings, or comforts in your own life be quietly testifying about where your trust really is?
- What is one area where you have been **HOARDING** (keeping for yourself) that you sense God is asking you to start **STEWARDING** (using to be a blessing to others)?
- What does our culture train us to believe about money and possessions, and where does that conflict with what James is teaching here?

QUESTION 2 | The Cries Heaven Hears *(Take 7 minutes)*

Read: Proverbs 14:31

- James says God hears the cries of those who have been cheated, overlooked, or taken advantage of. Who in your daily life (at work, in your neighborhood, in your family) might be one of those overlooked voices that God is calling you to actually hear?
- If God were to evaluate how you treat the people you have authority or influence over (employees, kids, servers, contractors, people who cannot give you anything back), what would He see?

QUESTION 3 | Patient Like the Farmer *(Take 7 minutes)*

Read: Romans 8:24-25

- James calls us to be patient like a farmer who waits for the rain. What is one specific area in your life right now where you are waiting on God, and how have you been handling that wait?
- The teaching said patient endurance requires three things: **TRUST**, **WORK**, and **HOPE**. Which of those three is the hardest for you in your current waiting season, and why?

QUESTION 4 | Words Under Pressure *(Take 7 minutes)*

Read: Matthew 12:33-37

- James says when we are under pressure, we tend to grumble against the people closest to us instead of trusting God. Who is the person who most often catches the overflow of your stress or impatience, and what could change about how you treat them?
- If someone watched your words this past week (your texts, your group chats, your conversations, your social media), would they say your integrity holds steady under pressure, or does it bend when you are uncomfortable?