

PRAYER LETTER AUGUST 2026

James 1: 17-20

Slow to anger, quick to listen

The 1st chapter of the book of James talks about how the believer can make it through trials and how he can receive the wisdom of God. The epistle of James is one of the most instructive writings in the New Testament. In the epistle of James, it presents an admirable summary of the practical duties of all believers. The leading truths of Christianity are set forth throughout and on attentive consideration, it will be found entirely to agree with St. Paul's statements concerning grace and justification. It is not every man who suffers that is blessed, but he who with patience and constancy goes through all difficulties in the way of duty. Afflictions cannot make us miserable if it be not our own fault. The tried Christian shall be a crowned one. The crown of life is promised to all who have the love of God reigning in their hearts.

Every soul that truly loves God shall have its trials in this world fully recompensed in that world above where love is made perfect. Afflictions as sent by God are designed to draw out our graces but not our corruptions. The origin of evil and temptation is in our own hearts. Instead of blaming God under our trials let us open our ears and hearts to learn when He teaches by them, and if men would govern their tongues, they must govern their passions. The worst thing we can bring to any dispute is anger. We must yield ourselves to the word of God with humble and teachable minds. Being willing to hear of our faults, taking it not only patiently but thankfully. It is the design of the word of God to make us wise to salvation, and those who propose any other means tends to dishonor the gospel and disappoint their own souls.

Prayer:

May God in His infinite mercy direct our tongues to speak when necessary to edify Him and our mouths to close when not required to speak so that with patience we will always be able to discern that which is right at all times in Jesus' name Amen!

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