NORTH COAST

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Sermon-Based Study for Individuals or Groups

Week of Nov 22, 2021

Memory Verse: James 5:8

**Ice-breaker:** How do you see what occurs in nature relating to how God works in your life? (v.7, regarding the rains)

## Read James 5:1-11

- 1. In light of the words, weep and howl and miseries are coming, look up and write down your thoughts on the following verses: Isaiah 13:6; 15:3; Hosea 7:14; Amos 8:3
- 2. Describe the difference between saving and hoarding.
- 3. With verse 3 in mind, how do you think we should live for today, and, at the same time, prepare for the last days?
- 4. How is James speaking to you regarding the *poor* in your world? (v.4)
- 5. How would you like to live out the remainder of your days all the while storing up treasures that count for eternity?
- 6. Even if you are not necessarily suffering as these 1<sup>st</sup> century Jewish believers were, what does James' call for right behavior mean to you?
- 7. How do you desire to enfold the Word of God into your daily behavior and attitude? (vs. 8-9, regarding a warning against grumbling)
- 8. How do you infuse your observations of godly people in your life in order to follow Christ all the more? (v.10, regarding the prophets)

## Announcements.

THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE - Wednesday, Nov 24, 6pm, Auditorium

This family service is a wonderful way to take a moment during the busy holiday season to pause and worship as a family, giving thanks and praise to God, the giver of all good gifts. No childcare will be provided, but the whole family is welcome at this service! Join us as we give thanks together.

## CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT Friday, Dec 3, 5-8pm

Kick off the Christmas season at this free festive evening for your family and friends complete with camels, pony rides and a petting zoo! At 6:30pm, enjoy the retelling of the Christmas story and join in as we sing community carols led by live musicians. Invite a friend!

**TOYS FOR HOPE** - We are teaming up again with our partners, Hope Leadership Academy, for their Toys for Hope Drive to impact families in need this Christmas! Thank you to all who have donated toys and volunteered in years past! Let's bless San Diego families in need with some extra love.

## Please drop off new, unwrapped toys in the foyer before Dec. 10th.

To volunteer directly with HLA distributing gifts - <u>https://hla.org/</u>

