

HOPE SABBATH SCHOOL

The Book of James – Part 12

Prayer, Healing, and Restoration

Welcome to Hope Sabbath School--an in-depth interactive study of the Word of God. We are continuing our study of the Book of James. Our topic today: Prayer, Healing, and Restoration.

Scripture Theme Song: “Bless the LORD” – Psalm 103:1-4

- 1) Is anyone among you suffering?
 - a) James 5:13a
 - b) Why would we need to be reminded to pray when we are in times of hardship?
 - c) How should we pray?
 - i) John 14:13-14
 - ii) 1 John 5:14-15
 - iii) Luke 22:42
 - 2) Is anyone cheerful?
 - a) James 5:13b
 - b) Sing or play Scripture songs!
 - c) Why do we need to be encouraged to sing Scripture songs when we are cheerful?
 - 3) Is anyone sick?
 - a) James 5:14
 - b) Matthew 10:8; Mark 6:13.
 - c) James 5:14 What are the essential elements are outlined here by James?
 - d) What amazing promises are recorded in James 5:15?
 - e) Why does God answer prayers for the sick in different ways? (Some are restored to health, others are given courage to face the challenge, and others are given courage to face death unafraid, with the certain hope of a resurrection when Christ returns in glory).
 - f) Share an experience where you participated in an anointing service at witnessed God at work in supernatural ways.
- 4) Deeper healing
 - a) James 5:15a “the prayer of faith will save the sick”
 - b) Mark 2:1-12
 - c) Why is spiritual healing even more important than physical healing?
 - d) Might healing of relationships also be included?
James 5:16
 - 5) The prayers of Elijah
 - a) James 5:17-18
 - b) Why do you think James uses the example of Elijah?
 - i) 1 Kings 17:1
 - ii) 1 Kings 17-24
 - iii) 1 Kings 18:36-38
 - iv) 1 Kings 18:41-46
 - v) 1 Kings 19:1-4
 - c) What lessons can we learn from the prayers of Elijah?
 - 6) Restoration
 - a) James 5:19-20 (See also Galatians 6:1)
 - b) Why does James conclude his letter with an appeal to restore those who have wandered away?