

“Our Relentless, Persistent Warning”



EVIDENCES OF TRUE FAITH • part 29
James 5:19-20

INTRODUCTION

- what it costs to get from “good” to “great”

Mt. 7:21-23; 2 Cor. 13:5

- persistence in gospel ministry

- thinking our way through the book of James...

1:12
1:13
1:19-20
1:21-22
2:1
2:26
3:9-10
3:14-15
4:4
4:12
4:15-16
5:7, 11

- two audience members

Heb. 3:7-8, 15; 4:7; 10:26-27

1. Sorting out those addressed (5:19)

- those who “stray”

1 Pet. 2:25

- those who “turn back”

Gal. 6:1

2. Specifying the consequences (5:20)

- saving the soul from death

1 Cor. 11:30

- covering a multitude of sins

Ps. 32:1; 85:2

3. Signaling our responsibility

“If sinners will be damned, at least let them leap to hell over our bodies. And if they will perish, let them perish with our arms about their knees, imploring them to stay. If hell must be filled, at least let it be filled in the teeth of our exertions, and let not one go there unwarned and unprayed for.”

– C.H. Spurgeon