

Dealing with Difficult People

James 5:7-12

Introduction

The Imperative to be _____ Vs. 7a

Be patient, then, brothers, until the Lord's coming.

Makrotymesate - Macro – long, thumuo – Anger.

_____ in your anger.

This kind of patience is in the context of dealing with

_____, not situations or things.

Three reasons on why I should be patient? Vss. 7a - 11

- I should be patient because I have hope in the

_____. Vss. 7a – 9

1st example: The _____.

“To stand firm,” means to strengthen our hearts, to be strong in the _____.

A word of encouragement from Jesus Christ: Revelation 21:1-5

- I should be patient because I know that I am fulfilling God's

_____. Vs. 10

2nd example: The _____.

Q: Why do pastors continue to minister in spite of heavy opposition?

A: Because of the _____.

- Be patient because I know that my _____ will come. Vs. 11

3rd Example: _____.

Hypomene, perseverance - speaks of a forceful

_____ that won't let go.

Conclusion

Homework: Identify at least one individual in my life who causes me to lose patience:

1. Pray for the situation with this person.
2. How might God be using him/her in my life?
3. What can I do to get along better with this person?