



Sermon Discussion Questions
Sunday, November 16, 2025

“Lord, Help Me Hold On”

James 5: 7-12

Pastor Clay Smith

1. **Patience as Active Faith:**

Patience is not merely passive waiting but *living as if God's promises are true*. What might this kind of “active patience” look like in your daily life, especially when things feel out of control?

2. **Responding to Wrongs:**

The sermon emphasizes trusting God rather than “striking back” when wronged. What situations tempt you to take control or seek revenge instead of waiting for the Lord’s justice? How might remembering God’s sovereignty reshape your response?

3. **Growing in Patience:**

We can say patience is “farmed” by the way the Holy Spirit reminds us how patient God has been with us. How has God’s patience toward you personally helped you grow in showing patience toward others?

4. **Living in Light of Christ’s Return:**

James urges believers to “establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand.” How does the promise of Jesus’ return encourage you to persevere in faith and obedience, even when life feels painful or uncertain?