

## Faith That Works

### GRASPS THE DANGER OF OVER INDULGENCE

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Text: James 5:1-6



*“Come now, you rich, weep and howl for the miseries that are coming upon you. <sup>2</sup>Your riches have rotted and your garments are moth-eaten. <sup>3</sup>Your gold and silver have corroded, and their corrosion will be evidence against you and will eat your flesh like fire. You have laid up treasure in the last days. <sup>4</sup>Behold, the wages of the laborers who mowed your fields, which you kept back by fraud, are crying out against you, and the cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. <sup>5</sup>You have lived on the earth in luxury and in self-indulgence. You have fattened your hearts in a day of slaughter. <sup>6</sup>You have condemned; you have murdered the righteous person. He does not resist you.”*

Of all the weekends to come across James chapter 5. Absolutely chilling. Thanksgiving weekend....

Inside these first few verses of chapter five of James you can pick up themes amidst his intense rebuke to those with much. He is condemning practices that are less than honoring to the Lord.

### THE DANGERS –

#### 1. H \_\_\_\_\_ – v.2-3

In this condemnation of hoarding, James described the three main ways wealth was valued in his day (apart from land and houses):

- F \_\_\_\_\_
- C \_\_\_\_\_
- P \_\_\_\_\_

2. O \_\_\_\_\_ OTHERS – v.4, 6

3. S \_\_\_\_\_ -CENTEREDNESS – v.5

