

Bible Course Acts to Revelation Lesson 58

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Read Chapter 4

So faith that works is exemplified when **partiality** or favoritism is absent, working faith (rather than outward profession) is **visible**, the **tongue** is tamed, and also **worldliness and strife** are avoided.

1.	Name 4 marks of worldliness found in 4:1-4.		
	a		
	b		
	c		
	d		
2.	Most fighting stems from envy or jealousy – wanting something you don't have.		
	Why doesn't God give some people what they ask for? See also James 4:3, Isaiah		
	55:89, Philippians 4:6-7, John 15:7.		
3.	Can we love both God and the world? See also I John 2:15-16, Matthew 6:24		
4.	What is the cure for worldliness (4:6)? "But"		
5.	In which way is the sovereignty of God, and the responsibility of man seen in verses		
	6 through 11a?		

Now James returns to the subject of wealth and pride. Many times in life, to be successful we need to plan. James seems to be saying that planning is bad, but really he

the	y won't.				
6.	What ought we				
			"		
7.	What is the length of man's life compared with here, and in other parts of Scripture?				
	See also Psalm	90:6 and Psalm 103:15			
8.	James speaks of both sins of commission and omission. Omission of what?				
	a. v. 13-15				
	b. v. 17				
		Living Faith in Persecution – Chapter 5 "Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the Therefore, refers back to previous chapte warnings about partiality, visible Christia ames warns unbelievers and encourages be to "not be weary in well-doing" (Galatians 6:	ers and verses. After the nity, an untamed tongue, elievers with an echo of		
9.	Give several rea	asons why unbelievers must "weep and howl.	" See verses 3-6.		
10.	Why does Jame	es urge patient waiting? "for the			
of	•		nigh."		
11.	Why is Job mer	ntioned here?			
12.	James says we s	should be patient in the face of suffering. Wh	ny?		
	a		(James 5:8).		
	b		(James 5:7).		
	c		(James 5:11).		
13.	When is prayer	especially urged?			

is saying not to boast about your plans in advance. Probably they will happen, but maybe

14.	Will prayer for the sick always heal the sick? Explain.						
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15	What example does Elijah hold						
13.	15. What example does Elijah hold for the church?						
16. Give 2 results of being a true witness:							
	a. "shall	a soul from		_•**			
	b. "and shall	a	of				
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Meditation: When ye pray, say, Our Father, etc., Luke 11:2. Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, James 4:3

Many say the Lord's prayer who do not pray it: they (like Augustine before his conversion, when he prayed for chastity) are afraid lest God should hear them: they do not care that God should say Amen, or so be it, though they themselves will say so. They say, "Our Father," but if He be their Father, where is His honour? They say, "which art in heaven;" but did they believe it, how durst they sin as they do upon earth? They say, "Hallowed by Thy name;" yet take God's name in vain. They say, "Thy kingdom come;" yet oppose the coming of His kingdom. They say, "Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;" yet will not stand to their words, for this is the will of God, their sanctification; but they want none of that. They say, "Give us this day our daily bread;" yet mind not the feeding of their souls with "the bread (Christ Jesus) which came down from heaven." They say, "Forgive us, as we forgive others;" but alas! if God should take them at their word, how undone were they whose hearts burn with malice and revenge! They say, "Lead us not into temptation;" yet run into it, and tempt Satan himself to tempt them. They say, "Deliver us from evil;" and yet deliver themselves to evil, and give up themselves to "fulfill the lust of the flesh," etc. Yea, it hath been observed, that they sin most against this prayer who stickle most for the saying of it. Reader, how often hast thou been guilty of such vain petitions and repetitions? Wonder not, if thou prayest in such a manner as this, that thou receivest nothing. Labour to get a deep sense of the majesty of God,

and of His mercy upon thy mind, that thy prayers may be fervent and earnest, and God will bless thee.

Assist and teach me how to pray, Incline my nature to obey; What Thou abhorrest let me flee, And only love what pleases Thee.

Taken from: "A Golden Treasure for the Children of God" by C.H.V Bogetzki

Psalter 30

Verse 1

To Thee, O Lord, I fly
And on Thy help depend;
Thou art my Lord and King Most High;
Do Thou my soul defend.
A heritage for me
Jehovah will remain;
My portion rich and full is He,
My right He will maintain.

Verse 2

The lot to me that fell Is beautiful and fair;
The heritage in which I dwell Is good beyond compare.
I praise the Lord above Whose counsel guides aright;
My heart instructs me in His love In seasons of the night.

Verse 3

I keep before me still
The Lord Whom I have proved;
At my right hand He guards from ill,
And I shall not be moved.
Life's pathway Thou wilt show,
To Thy right hand wilt guide,
Where streams of pleasure ever flow,
And boundless joys abide.