

Relate Group Questions
November 18, 2018

Ice Breaker Question:

What warring nation in real life gets your “Evil Empire” award? Why?

Relate Group Value: Evangelism – as a group, being committed to expanding the community of believers through such things as sharing your faith, encouraging people to come to the group, and other types of outreach.

Sermon Series: Does Your Faith Work?

Sermon Title: Judgment is Coming!

Sermon Text: James 5:1-6

Other Relevant Scriptures: Isaiah 13:6; 15:3; Revelation 19:14; 20:11-15

Study Questions:

1. Do you think the rich people James addresses are believers or unbelievers? Explain.
2. What is the crime of these rich people? What are they guilty of doing?
3. Where in our culture and your life do you see the attitudes typified by this passage?
4. What do you learn about God’s response from this passage?
5. What is your reaction to the reality of future judgment—particularly future judgment for those James warns in this text?
6. These rich people have failed to show justice. What is God’s perspective on justice (see Micah 6:8, Amos 5:24, and Proverbs 21:3)?
7. Compare the warning of this text with the instruction Paul gives in 1 Timothy 6:17-19. What should the rich do with their wealth? Where should we be storing our treasures (consider Matthew 6:19-21)?

Weekly Check-up:

How is your daily Bible reading going?

How has your prayer life been this past week?

Are you struggling in your obedience to God?

Have you shared Jesus with anyone this past week?

Have you invited anyone to worship or small group?

What do you need prayer and encouragement for today?