

Dangerous Prayers: “Teach Me Patience” (Job 7:11-19 & James 5:7-11)

1. Are you a patient person? How many of Chris’ patience test statements did you answer “yes” to? Share why.
2. Share or identify a situation in which you find it hard to be patient. Why is it difficult for you to be patient in those situations? What does that tell you about yourself?
3. Take some time to reflect on or discuss the story of Job. How does James 5:7-11 help inform you about Job’s character? How do you reconcile Job’s angry rant with James’ conclusion that Job is an example of patience? Are perseverance and patience different?
4. How does being consistently impatient negatively impact your attitude, relationships and health?
5. What are some of the benefits of being consistently patient for your attitude, relationships and health?
6. Share some strategies that help build everyday patience. Which one(s) do you think would be the most helpful for you? Which will you practice this coming week?