The Single Mind Sun Am 7/14/24

James 1:1-18 NKJV

1 James, a bondservant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, To the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad: Greetings.

2My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials,

3knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience.

4But let patience have *its* perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing.

5If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him.

6But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind.

7For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord;

8*he is* a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

9Let the lowly brother glory in his exaltation,

10but the rich in his humiliation, because as a flower of the field he will pass away.

11For no sooner has the sun risen with a burning heat than it withers the grass; its flower falls, and its beautiful appearance perishes. So the rich man also will fade away in his pursuits.

12Blessed *is* the man who endures temptation; for when he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him.

13Let no one say when he is tempted, “I am tempted by God”; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone.

14But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed.

15Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.

16Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren.

17Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning.

18Of His own will He brought us forth by the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures.

*The single mind is the mind ruled by the Word and controlled by the force of patience.*

# Luke 21:12-19 NKJV

# 12But before all these things, they will lay their hands on you and persecute *you,* delivering *you* up to the synagogues and prisons. You will be brought before kings and rulers for My name’s sake.

# 13But it will turn out for you as an occasion for testimony.

# 14Therefore settle *it* in your hearts not to meditate beforehand on what you will answer;

# 15for I will give you a mouth and wisdom which all your adversaries will not be able to contradict or resist.

# 16You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relatives and friends; and they will put *some* of you to death.

# 17And you will be hated by all for My name’s sake.

# 18But not a hair of your head shall be lost.

# 19By your patience possess your souls.

# Romans 5:1-5 NKJV

# 5 Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,

# 2through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

# 3And not only *that,* but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance;

# 4and perseverance, [[c](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=rom+5%3A1-5&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-28052c)]character; and character, hope.

# 5Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

# *Man of two minds.*

# James 1:8 NKJV

# 8*he is* a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

# Luke 11:17 NKJV

# 17But He, knowing their thoughts, said to them: “Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation, and a house *divided* against a house falls.

# *A house divided against itself will fall. This is the basic truth of the double mindedness without receiving from God, failure is inevitable. The double mind; I’ll serve God as I can but I have to make a living. The Word ruled mind; I’ll do whatever God and He will meet my needs.*

# Luke 10:38-42 NKJV

# 38Now it happened as they went that He entered a certain village; and a certain woman named Martha welcomed Him into her house.

# 39And she had a sister called Mary, who also sat at Jesus’ feet and heard His word.

# 40But Martha was distracted with much serving, and she approached Him and said, “Lord, do You not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Therefore tell her to help me.”

# 41And Jesus answered and said to her, “Martha, Martha, you are worried and troubled about many things.

# 42But one thing is needed, and Mary has chosen that good part, which will not be taken away from her.”

# *One thing is needful-the Word. The Word-ruled mind never prepares to fail.*