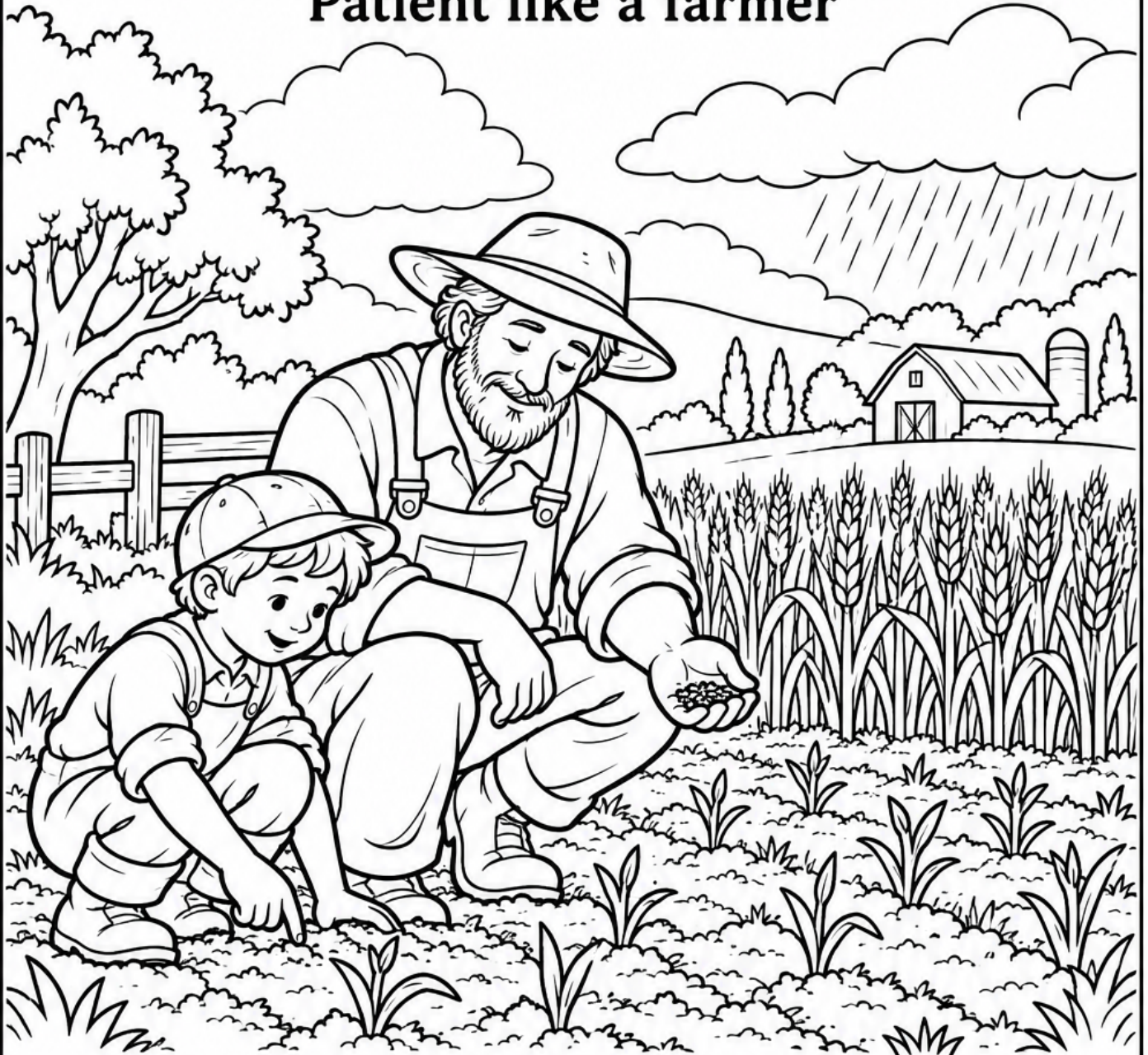


Faith Works & Living Hope

Patient like a farmer



The farmer patiently waits for the precious fruit of the earth.

James 5:7-8

THINK ABOUT THE STORY

What does the farmer wait patiently to receive?

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James & 1 Peter
Name _____ Date _____

Read & think

READ IN ORDER

1. James 1-5

2. 1 Peter 1-5

MAIN POINTS

- Hard tests can grow patience, and God gives wisdom when we ask Him (James 1:2-5).
- Do not favor rich people over poor people; love your neighbor and show mercy (James 2:1-13).
- Small words can do great harm, but God's wisdom helps people make peace (James 3:3-18).
- Come near to God, make humble plans, pray for one another, and help people return to truth (James 4:7-15; 5:13-20).
- Jesus gives living hope, and God helps His people do good, serve, stay humble, and stand firm (1 Peter 1:3; 2:12; 4:10; 5:5-10).

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

1. What should someone do after hearing God's word?

James 1:22

2. What two opposite things can come from the same mouth?

James 4:14

3. James says to do God's word, not only hear it. What kind, honest, or helpful action can you practice this week (James 1:22-27)?

James 1:22-27

MEMORY VERSE / 1 Peter 5:8

Peter joins sober watchfulness to steadfast resistance in the faith and reminds believers that others face the same afflictions (1 Peter 5:8-9).

WEB

Be sober and self-controlled. Be watchful. Your adversary, the devil, walks around like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.

KJV

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:

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James & 1 Peter

Name _____ Date _____

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Main verse _____ Bonus verse(s) _____

Passage or verse _____

WHAT I NOTICED

DRAW SOMETHING YOU WANT TO REMEMBER

ONE THING I WANT TO TRY

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James & 1 Peter
Name _____ Date _____

Read & think

READ IN ORDER

1. James 1-5

2. 1 Peter 1-5

MAIN POINTS

- Tested faith works patience, wisdom comes from God, and receiving the word includes doing it (James 1:2-27).
- James rejects partiality and uses Abraham and Rahab to show that faith without works is dead (James 2:1-26).
- Speech can direct or damage, while wisdom from above is pure, peaceable, merciful, and fruitful (James 3:1-18).
- Humility before God changes desires and plans; patient community life includes prayer, care, and restoration (James 4:1-17; 5:7-20).
- Peter joins living hope to holy conduct, mutual honor, faithful service, humble leadership, and resistance to the devil (1 Peter 1:3-25; 2:4-25; 3:8-18; 4:7-19; 5:1-10).

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

1. What work does the trying of faith begin according to James 1?

James 1:22

2. Why does James warn that not many believers should become teachers?

James 4:14

3. Where do your actions need to catch up with what you know is right? Choose one act of mercy, careful speech, prayer, or service to practice this week (James 1:22-27; 1 Peter 4:8-11).

James 1:22-27

MEMORY VERSE / 1 Peter 2:9

Peter gives these titles a purpose: believers should show God's praises and maintain honest conduct among the Gentiles (1 Peter 2:9-12).

WEB

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, that you may proclaim the excellence of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

KJV

But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:

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James & 1 Peter

Name _____ Date _____

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Waymark 97 / Preteen

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ONE THING TO PUT INTO PRACTICE

PRAYER

Faith Works & Living Hope

James & 1 Peter
Name _____ Date _____

Read & think

READ IN ORDER

1. James 1-5

2. 1 Peter 1-5

MAIN POINTS

- James 1 joins tested faith, wisdom from God, responsibility in temptation, restrained speech, and doing the word (James 1:2-27).
- James 2 rejects partiality and argues through Abraham and Rahab that faith without works is dead (James 2:1-26).
- James 3 contrasts the tongue's destructive power with wisdom from above that produces peace and good fruit (James 3:1-18).
- James 4-5 connect humility with changed desires and plans, patient endurance, prayer, care for the sick, and restoration (James 4:1-17; 5:7-20).
- First Peter joins resurrection hope to holiness, honorable conduct, Christlike suffering, stewardship, humble shepherding, and steadfast resistance (1 Peter 1:3-25; 2:4-25; 3:8-22; 4:7-19; 5:1-10).

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

1. James says to count diverse temptations as joy because tested faith works patience. How can someone recognize that purpose without pretending the pain itself is pleasant (James 1:2-4)?

James 1:2-4

2. How does James 2 challenge communities that give better treatment to people with wealth, appearance, or influence?

James 2:1-16

3. James warns against hearing without doing, while Peter calls believers to steward their gifts. Identify one gap between conviction and conduct, then choose a specific action for this week (James 1:22-27; 1 Peter 4:8-11).

James 1:22-27

MEMORY VERSE / James 1:19-20

James places careful listening and restrained anger before receiving the engrafted word and becoming a doer of it (James 1:19-22).

WEB

So, then, my beloved brothers, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, and slow to anger; for the anger of man doesn't produce the righteousness of God.

KJV

Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath: For the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God.

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James & 1 Peter

Name _____ Date _____

Notes

Waymark 97 / Teen

Main verse _____ Bonus verse(s) _____

Passage or verse _____

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ONE THING TO PUT INTO PRACTICE

PRAYER

Faith Works & Living Hope

James & 1 Peter
Name _____ Date _____

Read & think

READ IN ORDER

1. James 1-5

2. 1 Peter 1-5

MAIN POINTS

- James 1 integrates tested faith, wisdom, responsibility for temptation, divine generosity, disciplined speech, and enacted reception of the word (James 1:2-27).
- James 2 places impartial mercy under the royal law and uses Abraham and Rahab to argue that faith without works is dead (James 2:1-26).
- James 3 moves from the tongue's disproportionate power to wisdom from above, whose character is visible in peaceable fruit (James 3:1-18).
- James 4-5 connect humility before God with ordered desires, contingent planning, patience, communal prayer, care, and restoration (James 4:1-17; 5:7-20).
- First Peter grounds living hope in Christ's resurrection and expresses it through holiness, public conduct, faithful suffering, service, shepherding, humility, vigilance, and steadfast faith (1 Peter 1:3-25; 2:4-25; 3:8-22; 4:7-19; 5:1-10).

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

1. James says to count diverse temptations as joy because tested faith works patience. How can someone recognize that purpose without pretending the pain itself is pleasant (James 1:2-4)?

James 1:2-4

2. How does James 2 challenge communities that give better treatment to people with wealth, appearance, or influence?

James 2:1-16

3. Where has hearing the word remained detached from action? Name one concrete practice of impartial mercy, disciplined speech, prayer, hospitality, or service that will bring conduct into line with conviction this week (James 1:22-27; 1 Peter 4:7-11).

James 1:22-27

MEMORY VERSE / James 1:2-4

James explains that tested faith works patience and calls patience to complete its work (James 1:2-4).

WEB

Count it all joy, my brothers, when you fall into various temptations, knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance. Let endurance have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.

KJV

My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience. But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.

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James & 1 Peter

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ONE THING TO PUT INTO PRACTICE

PRAYER
