

Sermon Notes – October 9, 2022

Hoarders (James 5:1-6)

- I. The Foolishness of Hoarding. (Vss. 1-3)
 - A. Judgment is near.
 - 1. These are the last days.
 - 2. We take nothing with us.
 - B. Material wealth decays.
 - 1. Food (Grain)
 - 2. Clothing (Garments)
 - 3. Money. (Matthew 6:19-21) (Luke 12:21)
- II. The Wickedness of Hoarding. (Vss. 4-5)
 - A. Ill-gotten gain gets the attention of Almighty God (Hosts).
 - 1. Defrauding employees is strictly forbidden. (Proverbs 13:11) (Malachi 3:5)
 - B. Luxurious indulgence brings the judgment of God.
 - 1. Ignoring the poor has eternal consequences. (Luke 16:19-31) (Revelation 3:14-22; Laodicea)
- III. The Injustice of Hoarding. (Vs. 6)
 - A. The courts condemn the abused poor.
 - 1. The righteous poor are hated. (Amos 5:10,11)
 - B. The justice system opposes the righteous person.
 - 1. Political bribery advances wickedness. (Amos 5:12)
 - 2. The reaction of the righteous is to reflect the character of Jesus.
 - a. Matthew 5:39-42
 - b. Isaiah 53:7-9
 - c. Matthew 6:33
 - d. Proverbs 22:1
 - e. I Timothy 6:10, 17-19