

JUNE 1

“THAT SHOULD BE THE MOTIVATING FACTOR: JESUS IS COMING AGAIN!”

READ

James 5:7-12

Everything that we do in life should be centered on the fact that Jesus is coming again. All that we do, every day of our lives, should be done with this preeminently on our minds: Jesus could come today. That should be the motivating factor, the thrust of our lives: Jesus is coming again! When we live with that in mind, we are patient and forgiving. Because the Lord is at hand, I can handle any situation that comes my way. I can be patient until the trumpet sounds or until He calls me home. Every one of us has a situation, a problem in life, a difficulty that is in front of us all the time. That situation seems to be a ball and chain around our ankle. We think, “If I could get just past this, if this could just be fixed, I would be relieved.” The Christian life is one difficulty after another. That is why we have to move from faith to faith to faith. Once you finish one test, you go to another test in which you are tested beyond your apparent ability. Don’t let life overwhelm you. Wait patiently for the Lord. Jesus is coming back!

PRAY

Lord, You are working all things for my good as I wait on You. Even in my pain, You are growing patience in me, and preparing me for Your soon-coming return.

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