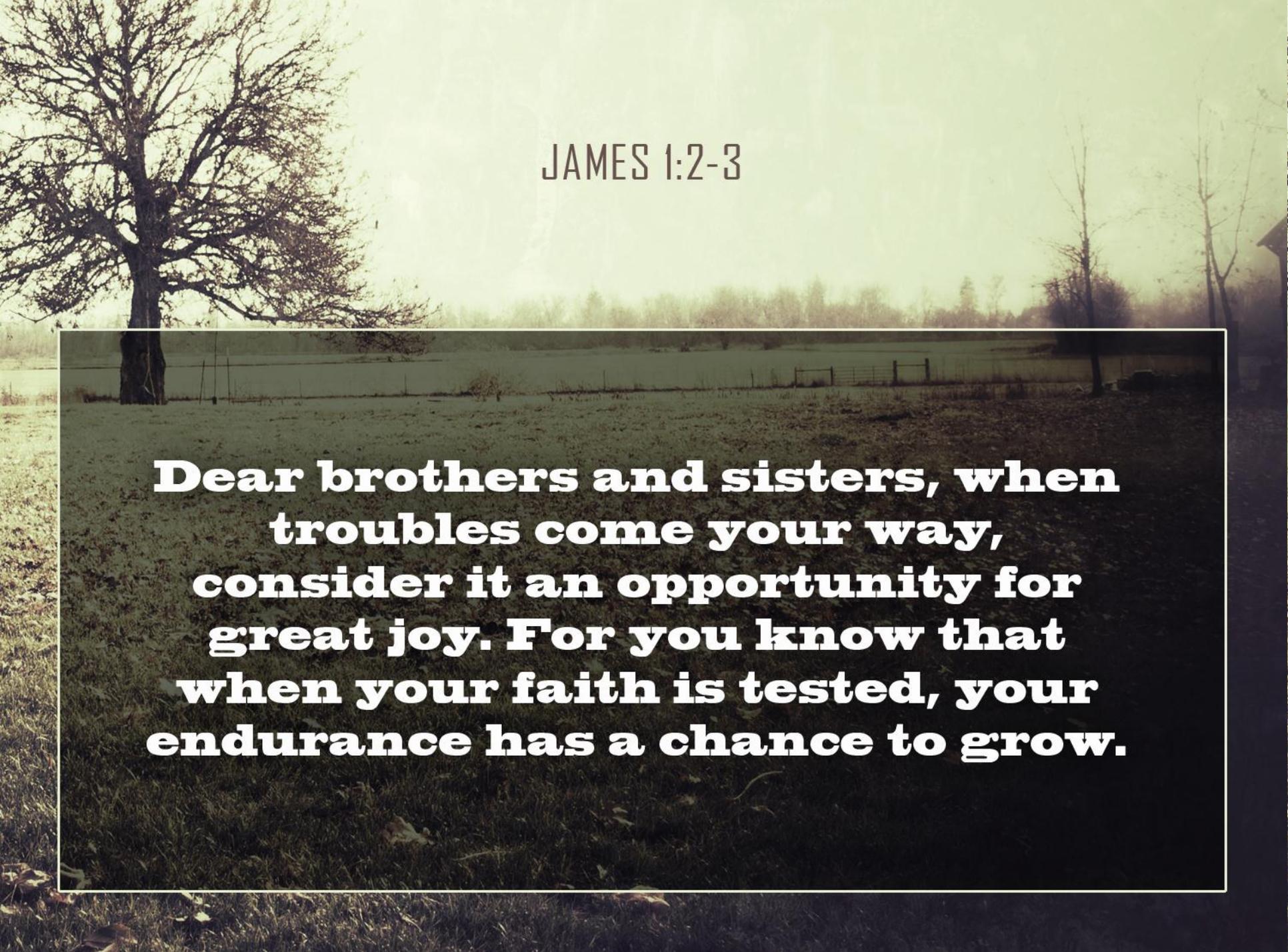


TRIALS & TRIBULATIONS

JAMES 1:2-3

HANG IN
THERE!





JAMES 1:2-3

Dear brothers and sisters, when troubles come your way, consider it an opportunity for great joy. For you know that when your faith is tested, your endurance has a chance to grow.

.⁴ And let endurance have *its* perfect result, so that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.

⁷ Therefore be patient, brethren, until the coming of the Lord.

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v_s. 9 the Judge is standing at the door

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There are over 300 references to the
coming again of Jesus in the New
Testament

One out of every 13 verses in the N.T.
speaks about that wonderful moment when
Jesus will return to this earth

Titus 2:13

That blessed hope

Acts 1:11

They also said, Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into the sky, this Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will come and in just the same way as you have watched him go

How to Hang in There

1. We are to suffer with patience
2. We are to endure

The Greek Word For Patience

The first word means long, it means time, it means distant

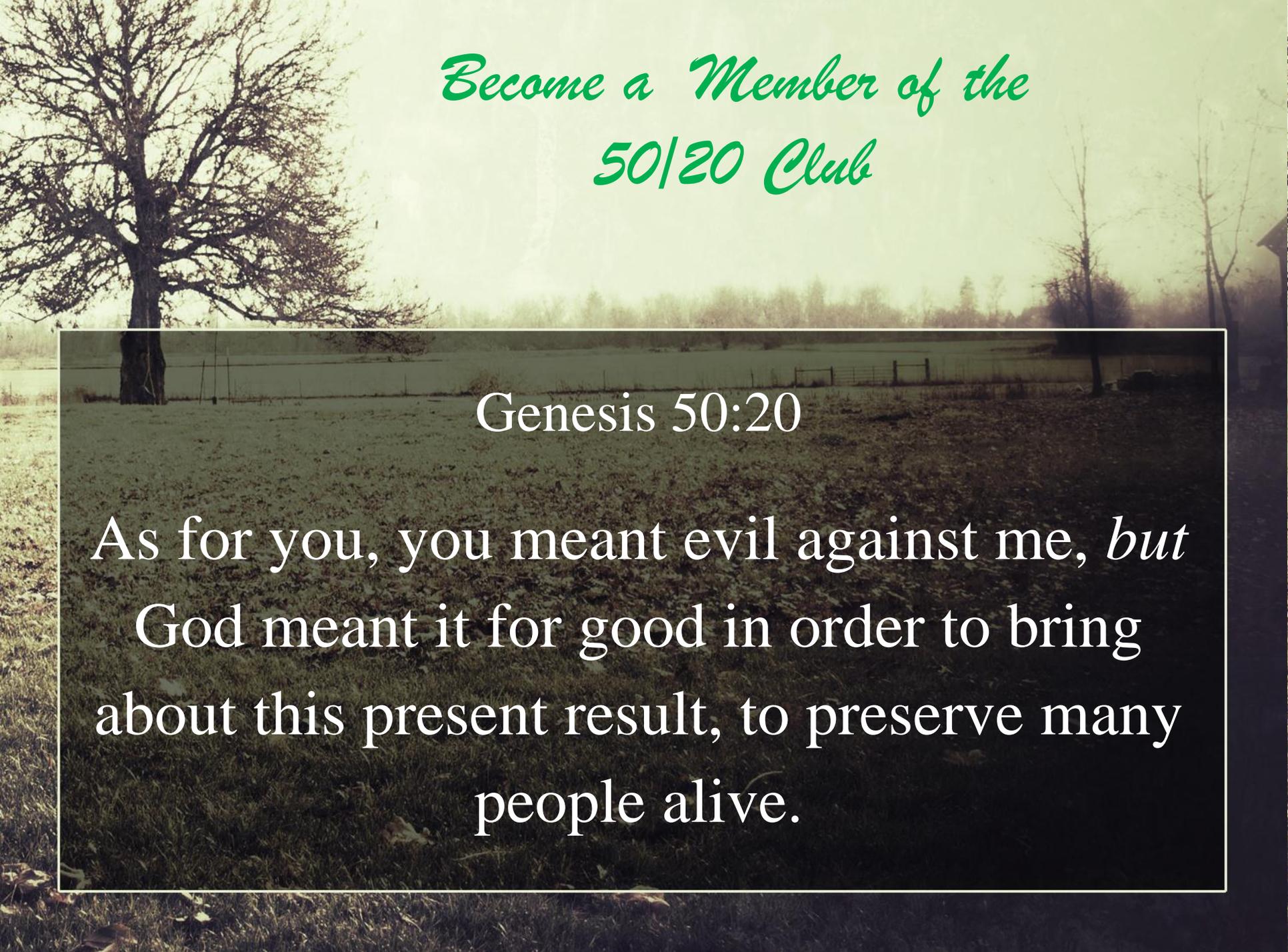
It means fire, or agony or pressure

James 5:7

⁷ Therefore be patient, brethren, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious produce of the soil, being patient about it, until it gets the early and late rains.

⁸ You too be patient; strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near

We are to be patient with our hearts; we are to strengthen our hearts



*Become a Member of the
50/20 Club*

Genesis 50:20

As for you, you meant evil against me, *but*
God meant it for good in order to bring
about this present result, to preserve many
people alive.

James 5:9

⁹ Do not complain, brethren, against one another, so that you yourselves may not be judged; behold, the Judge is standing right at the door.

I Peter 2:19

For this *finds* favor, if for the sake of conscience toward God a person bears up under sorrows when suffering unjustly. ²⁰ For what credit is there if, when you sin and are harshly treated, you endure it with patience? But if when you do what is right and suffer *for it* you patiently endure it, this *finds* favor with God.

James 5:10

As an example, brethren, of suffering and patience, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

Hebrews 11:33-34

the prophets, ³³ who by faith conquered kingdoms, performed *acts of* righteousness, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴ quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, from weakness were made strong, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight

Hebrews 11:35-36

³⁵ Women received *back* their dead by resurrection; and others were tortured, not accepting their release, so that they might obtain a better resurrection; ³⁶ and others experienced mockings and scourgings, yes, also chains and imprisonment.

Hebrews 11:38-39

³⁷ They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were tempted, they were put to death with the sword; they went about in sheepskins, in goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, ill-treated

Hebrews 11:38-39

³⁸ (*men* of whom the world was not worthy), wandering in deserts and mountains and caves and holes in the ground.

³⁹ And all these, having gained approval through their faith, did not receive what was promised,

James 5:11

We count those blessed who endured. You have heard of the endurance of Job and have seen the outcome of the Lord's dealings that the Lord is full of compassion and *is* merciful.

Job 19:25

But as for me, I know that my redeemer
lives and at the last he will take his
stand on the earth even after my skin is
destroyed, yet from my flesh I shall see
God

I know my redeemer lives

James 5:12

But above all, my brethren, do not swear, either by heaven or by earth or with any other oath; but your yes is to be yes, and your no, no, so that you may not fall under judgment.

The Prayer of the Chaplain of the Senate in Kansas

Omniscient Father, help us to know who is
telling the truth, one side tells us one thing, the
other side just the opposite

And if neither side is telling the truth, we would
like to know that too

And if each side is telling half the truth, give us
the wisdom to put the right halves together in
Jesus Name Amen

James 5:11

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Becky and Carl's Spring Speaking Tour 2013



Beauty Amidst the Ashes is excited to announce a speaking tour beginning this Spring 2013. Several of the topics Carl Christiansen and Rebecca Aske speak together about are: "Birth Mother and Birth Son." Together they share what it means to give a child up for adoption, what it means to be adopted...

GODBLESS YOU

HAVE A GREAT WEEK

**Remember-
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