



This week we considered the first 6 verses in chapter 5 as James pronounces a stern warning for the (perhaps hypothetical) rich landowners in James' time who had not been paying the wages of their employees. James speaks in such a way that he knows others are listening in

His big warning for us is to 'beware of wealth', with warnings in 3 'i's'

~ indulgence
~ injustice
~ impregnable

- How do we know when we slip from enjoying God's generous gifts to indulgence? Where are you most tempted towards indulgence?
- We talked about direct and indirect outworkings of injustice. 'Direct' being those we might have responsibility for at work', but Indirect' being (for example) our purchase choices that facilitate injustice (for example for the people who have made our clothes). How much does this matter to you? Why does injustice matter so much to God?
- These rich people have hoarded and gathered but forgotten that judgement is coming. Why do you think 'hoarding' can give the fake promise of security?