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# **Don't Do What Joe Maddon Did**

*Passage: James 5:12-20*

## James 5:12-20

<sup>12</sup> Above all, my brothers and sisters, do not swear—not by heaven or by earth or by anything else. All you need to say is a simple “Yes” or “No.” Otherwise you will be condemned. <sup>13</sup> Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise.

## James 5:12-20

<sup>14</sup> Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. <sup>15</sup> And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven.

## **James 5:12-20**

<sup>16</sup> Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective. <sup>17</sup> Elijah was a human being, even as we are. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years.

## James 5:12-20

<sup>18</sup> Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops. <sup>19</sup> My brothers and sisters, if one of you should wander from the truth and someone should bring that person back, <sup>20</sup> remember this: Whoever turns a sinner from the error of their way will save them from death and cover over a multitude of sins.

- **There's A Way To Handle Hard Times**



# Mathew 5:37

<sup>37</sup> All you need to say is simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything beyond this comes from the evil one.

## **Luke 5:15**

**15 Yet the news about him spread all the more, so that crowds of people came to hear him and to be healed of their sicknesses.**

## **Romans 8:3**

<sup>3</sup> For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering. And so he condemned sin in the flesh,

## **Acts 27:22**

<sup>22</sup> But now I urge you to keep up your courage, because not one of you will be lost; only the ship will be destroyed.

# Hebrews 12:3

<sup>3</sup> Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

## Hebrews 10:24-25

<sup>24</sup> And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, <sup>25</sup> not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

# Hebrews 10:32-35

<sup>32</sup> Remember those earlier days after you had received the light, when you endured in a great conflict full of suffering. <sup>33</sup> Sometimes you were publicly exposed to insult and persecution; at other times you stood side by side with those who were so treated. <sup>34</sup> You suffered along with those in prison and joyfully accepted the confiscation of your property, because you knew that you yourselves had better and lasting possessions. <sup>35</sup> So do not throw away your confidence; it will be richly rewarded.

- **There's A Way To Handle Hard Times**
- **We Have A Powerful Resource**



## **Romans 3:10, 20**

<sup>10</sup> As it is written: “There is no one righteous,  
not even one;

<sup>20</sup> Therefore no one will be declared righteous  
in God’s sight by the works of the law; rather,  
through the law we become conscious of our  
sin.

# Matthew 5:48

<sup>48</sup> Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

## **Romans 3:21-22**

<sup>21</sup> But now apart from the law the righteousness of God has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. <sup>22</sup> This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference between Jew and Gentile,

## Philippians 3:9

<sup>9</sup> and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith.

# 1 Kings 17:1, 7

<sup>1</sup> Now Elijah the Tishbite, from Tishbe in Gilead, said to Ahab, “As the LORD, the God of Israel, lives, whom I serve, there will be neither dew nor rain in the next few years except at my word.”

<sup>7</sup> Some time later the brook dried up because there had been no rain in the land.

# 1 Kings 18:45

<sup>45</sup> Meanwhile, the sky grew black with clouds, the wind rose, a heavy rain started falling and Ahab rode off to Jezreel.

# Application

- **We Think of Prayer As A Duty**
- **We Don't Think We Deserve It**
- **We Don't Really Believe In It**

