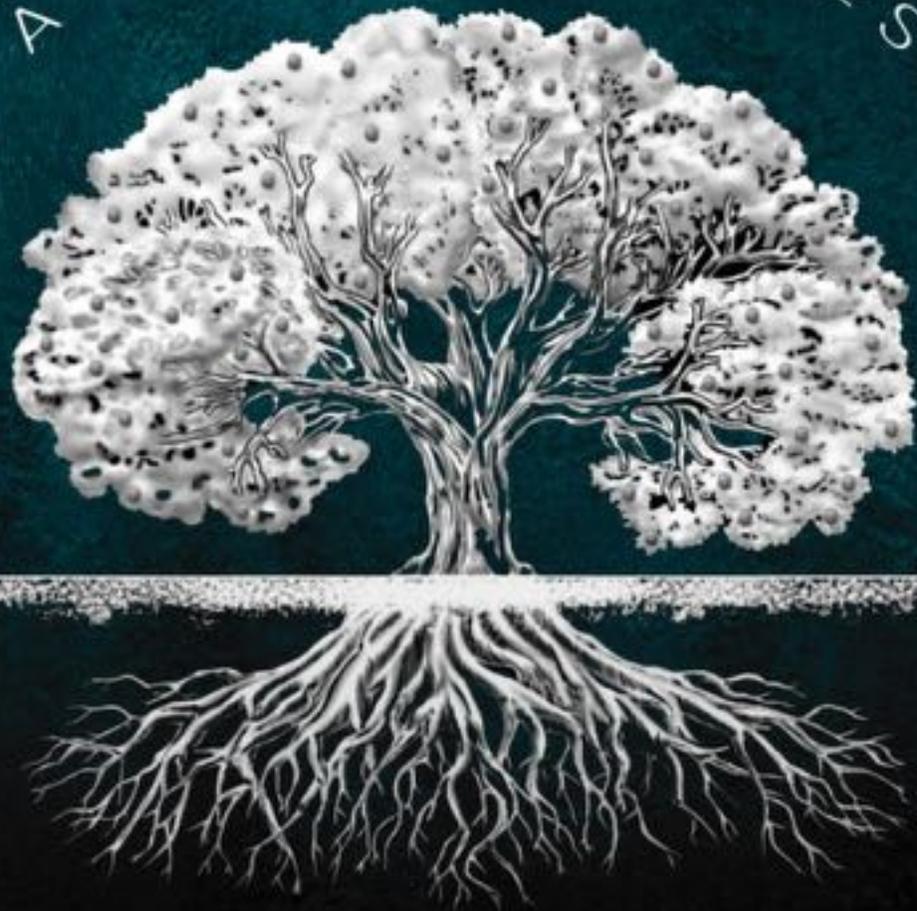


LIVING IN WISDOM
A SERIES IN JAMES



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Who faked my cheese? Paneer that's merely veneer shocks many Indians



Unbranded and crudely packaged paneer for sale at a store in India. The production and sale of such paneer has come under scrutiny with frequent reports of adulteration. ST PHOTO: DEBARSHI DASGLPTA

Singapore

Salon chain HairFun admits to unfair practices targeting elderly customers

In one instance, a HairFun salon in Ang Mo Kio charged a man nearly \$51,000 for a hair wash and a treatment package he had not consented to purchasing.



A composite image of a storefront poster put up by HairFun at its Ang Mo Kio branch, as well as a monitor and scalp scanner. (Photos: Competition and Consumer Commission of Singapore)



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SINGAPORE

From cash and gold to leaves: 3 women, 1 man charged over suspected involvement in spiritual 'blessing' scams



Cash amounting to S\$1,311 and 10,050 yuan (S\$1,800) was seized from the suspects as case exhibits.

PHOTO: Singapore Police Force



**WHEN CHURCH PEOPLE
CHEAT & ABUSE**

James 5:1-6





1. THEIR WANTONNESS



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and been **wanton** v5 KJV





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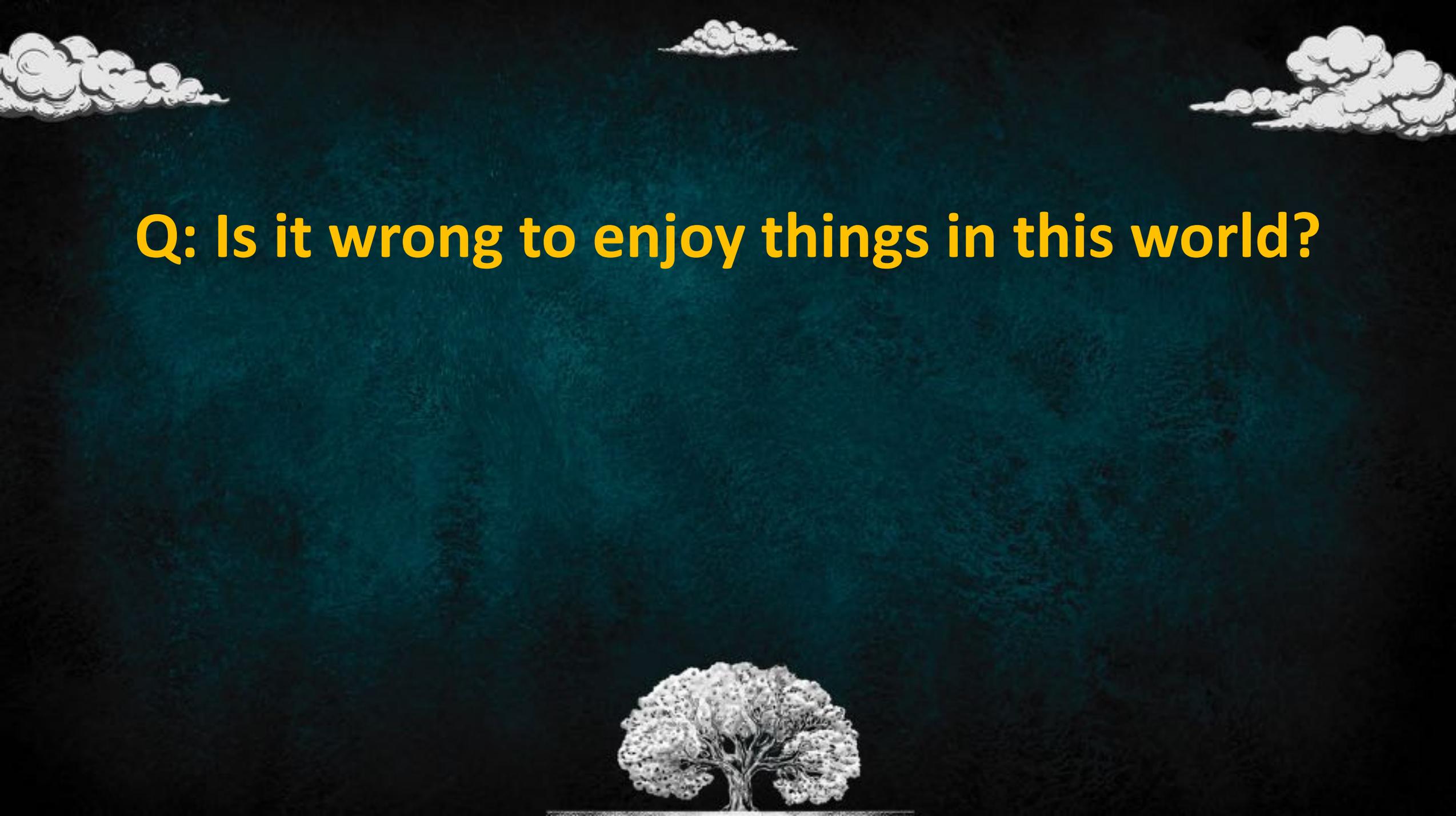


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The background is a dark teal color with a subtle, grainy texture. At the top, there are three white, stylized clouds of varying sizes and shapes. At the bottom center, there is a white, stylized tree with a thick trunk and a full, rounded canopy of leaves. The tree is positioned on a thin white horizontal line representing the ground.

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1 Timothy 6:17

As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on **God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy.**





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(James 5:5)



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He does not resist you.





Deuteronomy 24:15

You shall give him his wages on the same day,
before the sun sets (for he is poor and counts on it),
lest he cry against you to the LORD, and you be guilty of sin.





Jeremiah 22:13

“Woe to him who builds his house by unrighteousness ...
who makes his neighbor serve him for nothing
and does not give him his wages,





Leviticus 19:13

You shall not oppress your neighbor or rob him.
The wages of a hired worker shall not remain with you
all night until the morning.





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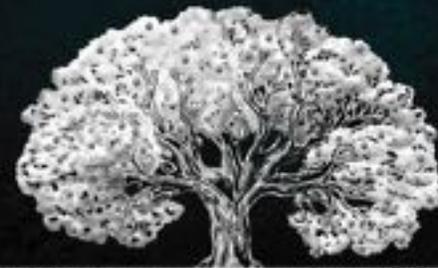


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JAMES 1:26,27

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visit orphans & widows in affliction

unstained from the world

Speech

Service

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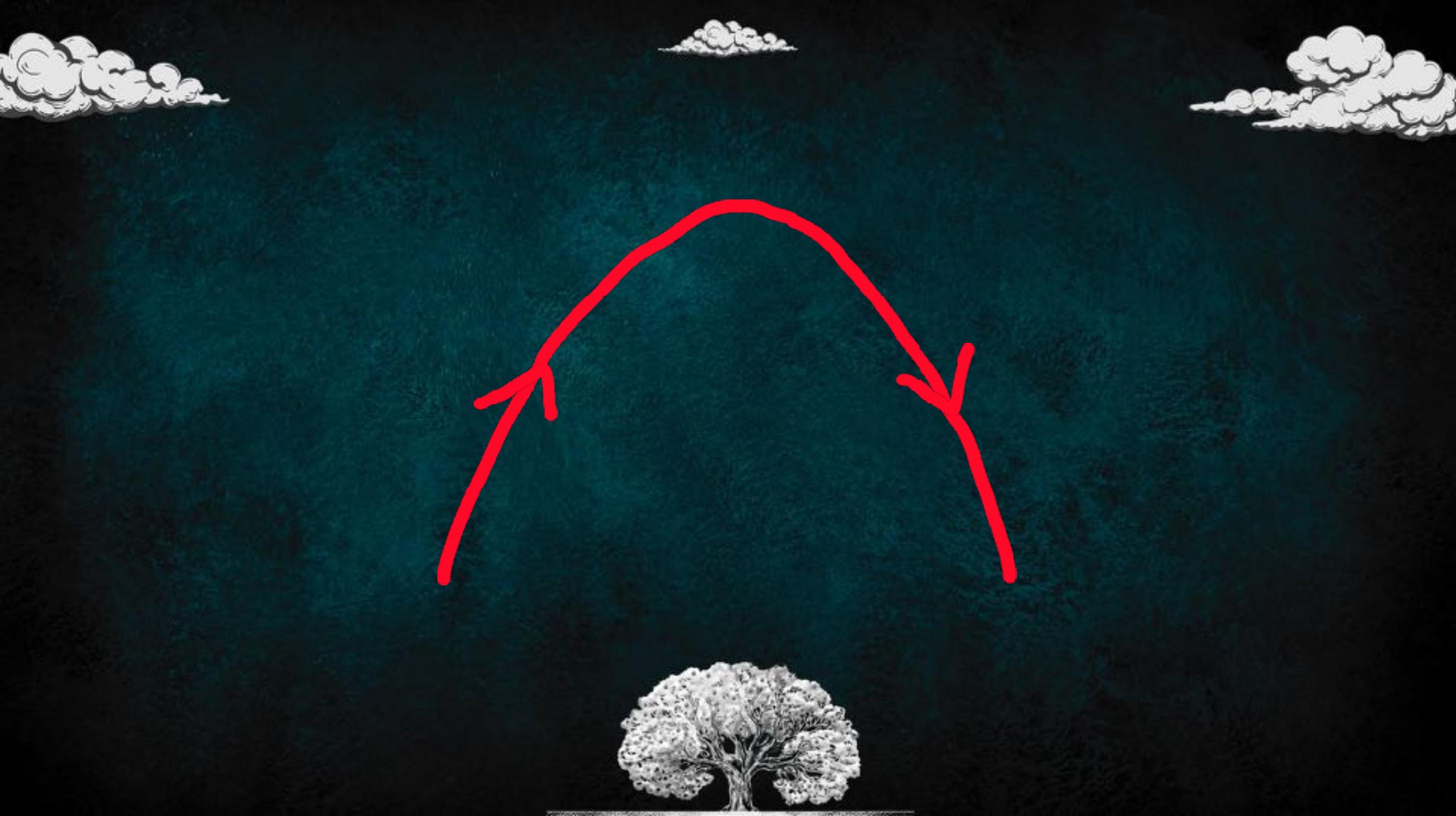




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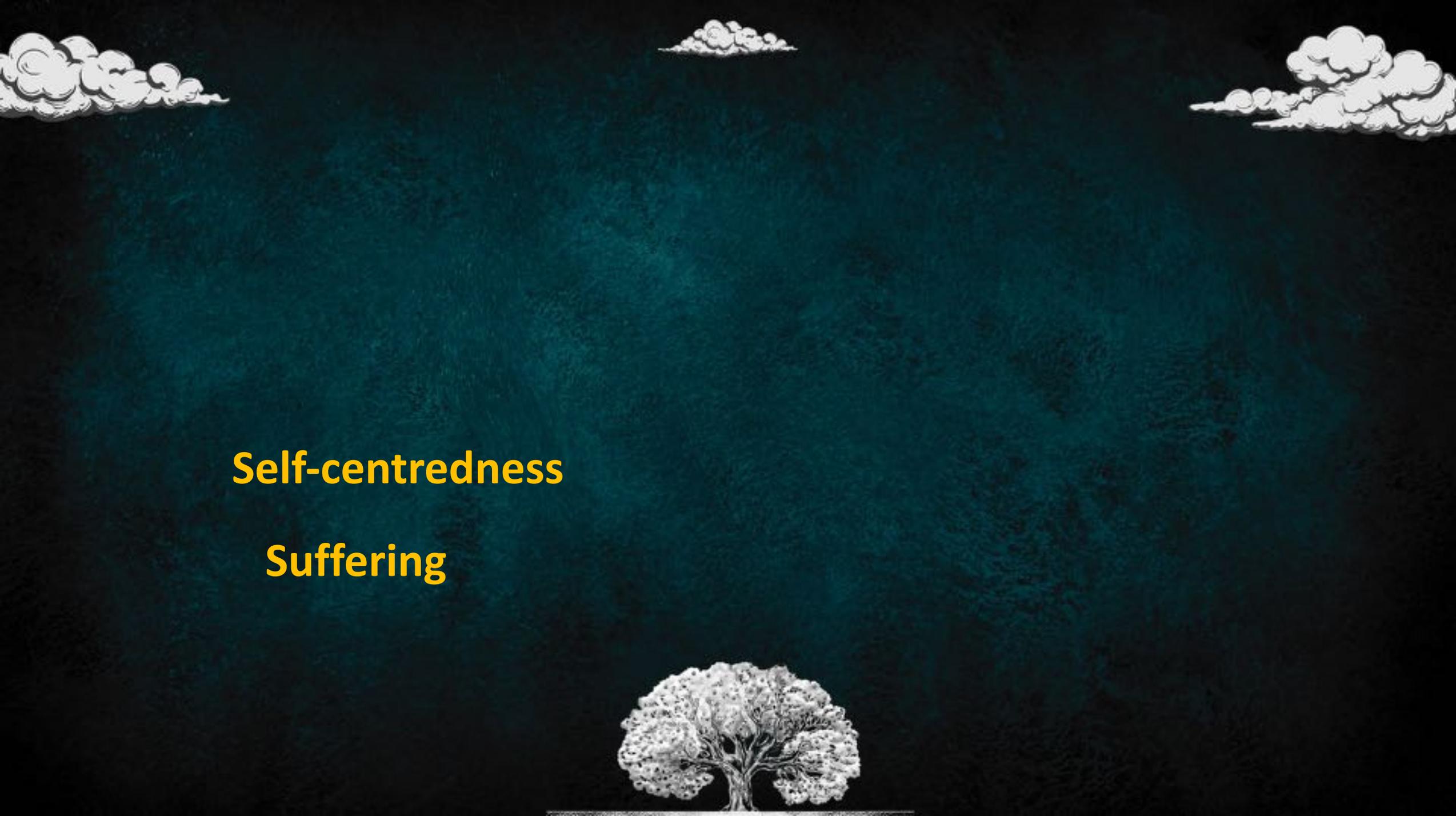






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Speech

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4:13- Come now

5:1- Come now





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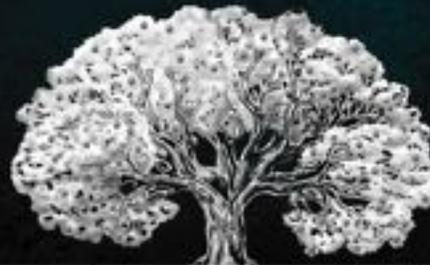
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Sin in Suffering





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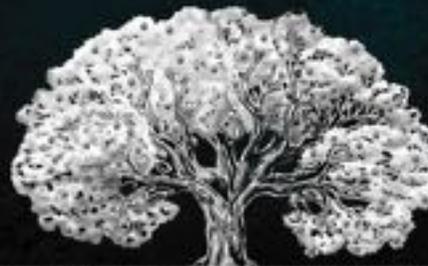
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Luke 8:14

And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are **choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life**, and their fruit does not mature.



4. THEIR WRETCHEDNESS





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5. THEIR WARNING





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James 1:9–10

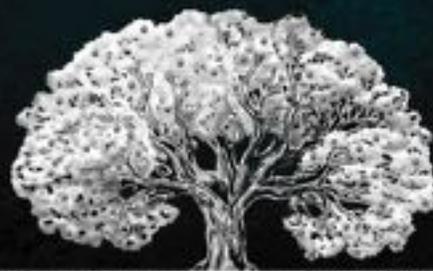
[9] Let the lowly brother boast in his exaltation,
[10] and **the rich** in his humiliation,
because like a flower of the grass he will pass away.





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DEATH

CROWN OF LIFE





James 1:21

Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness
and receive with meekness the implanted word,
which is able to save your souls.





Submit yourselves therefore to God.
Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.
Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.
Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and
purify your hearts, you double-minded.
Be wretched and mourn and weep.
Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom.
Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

(James 4:7-10)





James 1:27

Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this:
to visit orphans and widows in their affliction...





“Better weep here,
where there are wiping handkerchiefs in the hand of Christ,
than to have your eyes whipped out in hell.
Better howl with men than yell with devils.”

