

**“Life According to Jim” Sermon Series**  
**Part #11– Living Life with the Wrong Motivation**

**James 5:1-6**

**James 1:22a (NASB) – But prove yourselves doers of the word,  
and not merely hearers...**

**Series Summary**

The purpose of this series is to help each Christian learn to apply the basic principles of their faith. We have been called to live out our faith and to carry out the message of the Gospel to this world. We will discuss the practical application of the Word of God for our everyday lives as seen in the book of James. This series is needed for every new Christian and for people who want to refresh their walk with the Lord.

**Big Idea: Hear the Warning – A Life Built on the Wrong Foundation  
Will Be Destroyed**

**Main Passage**

**James 5:1-6 (NIV) – 1** Now listen, you rich people, weep and wail because of the misery that is coming upon you. **2** Your wealth has rotted, and moths have eaten your clothes. **3** Your gold and silver are corroded. Their corrosion will testify against you and eat your flesh like fire. You have hoarded wealth in the last days. **4** Look! The wages you failed to pay the workmen who mowed your fields are crying out against you. The cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord Almighty. **5** You have lived on earth in luxury and self-indulgence. You have fattened yourselves in the day of slaughter. **6** You have condemned and murdered innocent men, who were not opposing you.

**Three Warnings of Living Life with the Wrong Motivation**

**Warning #1 – Trouble is Coming** James 5:1

**Warning #2 – Your Kingdom Will Crumble** James 5:2-3

**Warning #3 – You Will Give an Account** James 5:4-6

**Memory Verse**

- **James 3:18** – Peacemakers who sow in peace raise a harvest of righteousness.

**Application**

**Life According to Jim Challenge** – Begin this series by learning to walk in the footsteps of Jesus. **Step #1 – 30 Day Challenge** – May a commitment to read the entire book of James at least once per day during the next 30 days. **Step #2 – Journal** – Write down or journal what God is showing you through this study. **Step #3 – Action** – Let this be a month of action for your faith.

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