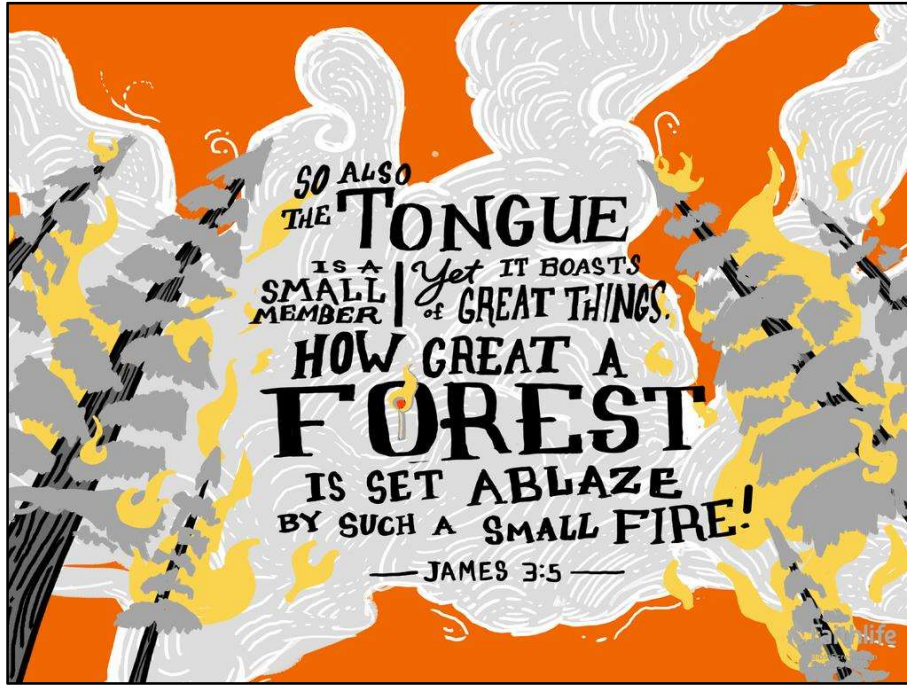


James:

- ▶ You're going to have trials and temptations **James 1:2**
 - ▶ They have a purpose
 - ▶ Temptation is from within
- ▶ Faith acts without partiality
 - ▶ Partiality = sin **James 2:9**
 - ▶ Faith acts **James 2:26**



Mind Your Tongue:

- ▶ The reality: we all struggle with this **v.2**
- ▶ It is a powerful tool
vv.3-5
- ▶ Be careful about your speech
vv.9-12
 - ▶ Tongue trouble is a sign of a bigger problem **Matthew 12:34**
- ▶ What can we do?

Know this, MY BELOVED BROTHERS:
LET EVERY PERSON BE

QUICK TO HEAR

S L O W T O S P E A K

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for the ANGER OF MAN DOES NOT
PRODUCE THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD.

JAMES 1:19-20

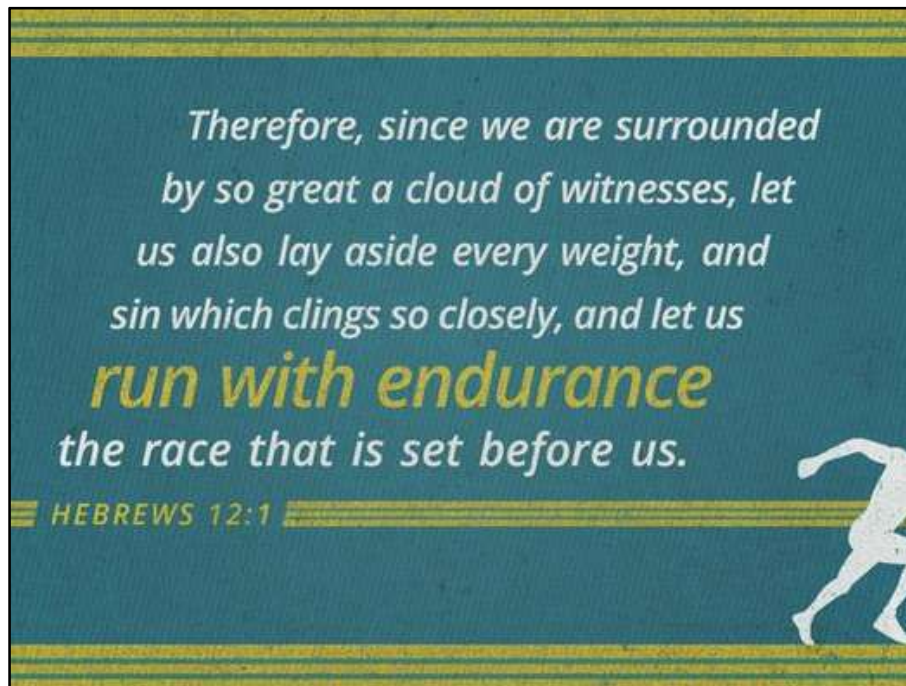
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Submit to God:

- ▶ You're going to face many problems in life
 - ▶ Conflict with brethren **v.1**
 - ▶ Bad friends **v.4**
 - ▶ Satan's constant attacks **v.7b**
- ▶ Submit to God and His wisdom! **Vv.6-10**
 - ▶ He's our judge **v.12**
 - ▶ He's in control **v.17**

Keep Watch and Pray:

- ▶ Need to have the right focus
vv.1-3
 - ▶ These men had the wrong aim
(**cf. Matthew 6:19-21**)
- ▶ We look to a greater reward
with patience
vv.7-8
- ▶ While we wait, pray!
Vv.13-18



The Christian life is a marathon not a sprint. A marathon takes intentionality when running. Don't want to spend all of your energy upfront, or else you fail to finish. You want to spend the right amount of energy throughout the whole race so that by the end you are spent. The Christian life is the same way.