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**James 5:1-6**

1. How does being a Christian living in the richest country in one of the richest countries in the world influence how you view money?
2. In verse 1, James warns the rich. How can money be likened to the tongue or to fire?
3. In verse 2-3, James speaks of hoarding. What is the danger of hoarding in comparison to the responsibility of saving? How does hoarding hurt you and others?
4. In verse 4-5, James speaks of unjust economic practices. When we consider an attribute of God to be justice, how should we understand luxury and self-indulgence in light of the idea of economic justice?
5. In verse 6, James correlates the luxuries of the rich with the oppression of the poor? How might that correlation ring true in our lives?
6. Kevin listed 4 correctives to the James' warnings in 5:1-6
  - a. Responsible Participation
  - b. Just economic practices
  - c. Simplicity
  - d. Ethical Consumption

Review these and discuss what might be a next step to apply these correctives.

7. How might your community group take a step together to make a difference in our neighborhood?