

OTHER LETTERS

Letter of James

Rich and satisfied

5 ¹So, now for what concerns the rich! Cry and weep for the misfortunes that are coming upon you. ²Your riches are rotting and your clothes eaten up by the moths. ³Your silver and gold have rusted and their rust grows into a witness against you. It will consume your flesh like fire, for having piled up riches in these the last days.

⁴You deceived the workers who harvested your fields but now their wages cry out to the heavens. The reapers' complaints have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. ⁵You lived in luxury and pleasure in this world thus fattening yourselves for the day of slaughter. ⁶You have easily condemned and killed the innocent since they offered no resistance.

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