James Chapters I-2 (and Dateline Meter, p.6)

Color Legend for Tracking James' Rhetoric:

Style A, "faith" means BELIEVED WORD IN YOU, not your act of faith itself	C. 'true riches' comparative rhetoric	D, disbelief in Word, in favor of the material world	special words establishing context
* comment re interpretation			
Rhetorical Style B	monadic use of article (uniqueness; official office use, if doubled articles)	anarthrous (article removed, stresses Quality, either Divine/noble or very evil)	common use of article (something MAN is or does)

BGT **Jam I:I** Ίάκωβος θεοῦ καὶ κυρίου Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ δοῦλος ταῖς <u>δώδεκα φυλαῖς</u> ταῖς ἐν τῇ διασπορῷ χαίρειν.

VAU Jam 1:1 James, a bond-servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, To the twelve tribes * who are dispersed abroad: Greetings.

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| JEWISH audience: so you interpret text by JEWISH CULTURE back then.} |

BGT Jam 1:2 Πᾶσαν χαρὰν ἡγήσασθε, ἀδελφοί μου, ὅταν πειρασμοῖς περιπέσητε ποικίλοις,

NAU Jam 1:2 Consider it all joy, my brethren, * when you encounter various trials,

* SAVED, believers. So this letter is NOT about how to be saved, but about stuff applicable post-salvation.}

BGT Jam 1:3 γινώσκοντες ότι τὸ δοκίμιον ὑμῶν τῆς πίστεως κατεργάζεται ὑπομονήν.

NAU Jam 1:3 knowing that the testing *of your faith produces endurance. {* Theme of Letter.}

BGT Jam I:4 ή δὲ ὑπομονὴ ἔργον τέλειον ἐχέτω, ἵνα ἦτε τέλειοι καὶ ὁλόκληροι ἐν μηδενὶ λειπόμενοι.

NAU Jam 1:4 And let endurance have its perfect * result, so that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in

nothing. ** Teleiow and cognate noun teleios are Bible keywords for spiritual maturation, pan-NT, with plerow (Filling) and pleroma; used as tracking devices in Hebrews. Greek teleiow = complete a contractural obligation, aka 'perfect' in modern legal English; plerow = fill up a ship or woman with 'cargo'.}

 $^{\text{BGT}}$ Jam 1:5 Ei δέ τις ὑμῶν λείπεται σοφίας, αἰτείτω παρὰ τοῦ διδόντος θεοῦ πᾶσιν ἀπλῶς καὶ μὴ ὀνειδίζοντος καὶ δοθήσεται αὐτῷ.

NAU Jam 1:5 But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him.

BGT **Jam I:6** αἰτείτω δὲ ἐν <mark>πίστει</mark> μηδὲν διακρινόμενος· ὁ γὰρ διακρινόμενος ἔοικεν κλύδωνι θαλάσσης ἀνεμιζομένω καὶ ῥιπιζομένω.

NAU Jam 1:6 But he must ask in faith without any doubting, for the one who doubts is like the surf of the sea, driven and tossed by the wind.

BGT Jam I:7 μὴ γὰρ οἰέσθω ὁ ἄνθρωπος ἐκεῖνος ὅτι λήμψεταί τι παρὰ τοῦ κυρίου,

NAU Jam 1:7 For that man ought not to expect that he will receive anything from the Lord,

BGT Jam 1:8 άνὴρ δίψυχος, ἀκατάστατος ἐν πάσαις ταῖς ὁδοῖς αὐτοῦ.

NAU Jam 1:8 being a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

BGT Jam I:9 Καυχάσθω δὲ δ ἀδελφὸς δ ταπεινὸς ἐν τῷ ὕψει αὐτοῦ,

- NAU Jam 1:9 But the brother of humble circumstances is to glory in his high position;
- BGT Jam 1:10 δ δὲ πλούσιος ἐν τῇ ταπεινώσει αὐτοῦ, ὅτι ὡς ἄνθος χόρτου παρελεύσεται.
- NAU Jam 1:10 and the rich man is to glory in his humiliation, because like flowering grass he will pass away.
 - * Verses 10-11 Reference Psalm 90:5-6, 10 deft reminder of God's Rules for Time.}
- BGT **Jam I:II** ἀνέτειλεν γὰρ ο ἤλιος σὺν <mark>τῷ</mark> καύσωνι καὶ ἐξήρανεν <mark>τὸν</mark> χόρτον καὶ <mark>τὸ</mark> ἄνθος αὐτοῦ ἐξέπεσεν καὶ ἡ εὐπρέπεια τοῦ προσώπου αὐτοῦ ἀπώλετο· οὕτως καὶ ὁ πλούσιος ἐν ταῖς πορείαις αὐτοῦ μαρανθήσεται.
- NAU Jam 1:11 For the sun rises with a scorching wind and withers the grass; and its flower falls off and the beauty of its appearance is destroyed; so too the rich man in the midst of his pursuits will fade away.
- BGT **Jam I:12** Μακάριος <mark>ἀνὴρ</mark> δς ὑπομένει πειρασμόν, ὅτι <mark>δόκιμος</mark> γενόμενος λήμψεται τὸν <mark>στέφανον</mark> τῆς ζωῆς δν ἐπηγγείλατο τοῖς ἀγαπῶσιν αὐτόν.
- lam 1:12 Blessed is a man who perseveres under trial; for once he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him.
- $^{\text{BGT}}$ Jam 1:13 Μηδεὶς πειραζόμενος λεγέτω ὅτι ἀπὸ $^{\text{Θεοῦ}}$ πειράζομαι· ὁ γὰρ $^{\text{Θεὸς}}$ ἀπείραστός ἐστιν κακῶν, πειράζει δὲ αὐτὸς οὐδένα.
- NAU Jam 1:13 Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God"; for God cannot be tempted by evil, and He Himself does not tempt anyone.
- BGT Jam 1:14 έκαστος δὲ πειράζεται ὑπὸ τῆς ἰδίας ἐπιθυμίας ἐξελκόμενος καὶ δελεαζόμενος·
- NAU Jam 1:14 But each one is tempted when he is carried away and enticed by his own lust.
- BGT Jam I:15 εἶτα ἡ ἐπιθυμία συλλαβοῦσα τίκτει ἀμαρτίαν, ἡ δὲ ἀμαρτία ἀποτελεσθεῖσα ἀποκύει θάνατον.
- NAU Jam 1:15 Then when lust has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and when sin is accomplished, it brings forth death.
- $^{\text{BGT}}$ Jam 1:16 M ἡ πλανᾶσθε, ἀδελφοί μου άγαπητοί.
- NAU Jam 1:16 Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren.
- BGT **Jam I:17** πᾶσα δόσις ἀγαθὴ καὶ πᾶν δώρημα τέλειον ἄνωθέν ἐστιν καταβαῖνον ἀπὸ τοῦ πατρὸς τῶν;*
 φώτων,παρ' ῷ οὐκ ἔνι παραλλαγὴ ἢ τροπῆς ἀποσκίασμα.
 - Doubled articles designate official office. For example, doubled articles are used for official civil calendar dates in LXX, Luke 1:26, etc.
- NAU Jam 1:17 Every good thing given and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shifting shadow.
- $^{\text{BGT}}$ Jam 1:18 βουληθεὶς ἀπεκύησεν ἡμᾶς λόγω ἀληθείας εἰς το εἶναι ἡμᾶς ἀπαρχήν τινα τῶν αὐτοῦ κτισμάτων.
- of first fruits among His creatures. NAU Jam 1:18 In the exercise of His will He brought us forth by The Word of Truth, so that we would be a kind

- $^{\text{BGT}}$ Jam 1:19 "Ιστε, ἀδελφοί μου ἀγαπητοί· ἔστω δὲ πᾶς ἄνθρωπος ταχὺς εἰς τὸ ἀκοῦσαι, βραδὺς εἰς τὸ λαλῆσαι, βραδὺς εἰς ὀργήν·
- NAU Jam 1:19 This you know, my beloved brethren. But everyone must be quick to hear, slow to speak and slow to anger;
- BGT **Jam 1:20** ὀργὴ γὰρ ἀνδρὸς <mark>δικαιοσύνην θεοῦ</mark> οὐκ ἐργάζεται.
- NAU Jam 1:20 for the anger of man does not achieve the righteousness of God.
- BGT **Jam I:21** διὸ ἀποθέμενοι πᾶσαν ῥυπαρίαν καὶ περισσείαν κακίας ἐν πραΰτητι, δέξασθε τὸν ἔμφυτον <mark>Χόγον</mark>* τὸν δυνάμενον <mark>σῶσαι</mark> τὰς ψυχὰς ὑμῶν. *
 - *Technically the ton modifies both emphuton AND logon, but by putting emphuton first, a PLAY on anarthrous quality of logon is made.

 He suddenly piles up the articles here, which has a sound effect like hitting your finger on the table, for rhythmic stress.}
- NAU Jam 1:21 Therefore, putting aside all filthiness and *all* that remains of wickedness, in humility receive the word implanted, which is able to save * your souls.
 - Saving your trashed-up thinking, since they are already planted in The Word. Ties to Luke 8 parable.

 Because they are PLANTED seeds, not scattered and eaten by birds, you know they are saved already, so this is save #2, spiritual maturation.}
- $^{\text{BGT}}$ Jam 1:22 $\Gamma(\nu \in \sigma \theta \in ^* \delta \in ^* \pi \circ \pi \circ \pi)$ λόγου καὶ μὴ μόνον ἀκροαταὶ παραλογιζόμενοι ἑαυτούς.
 - * BECOME, not 'prove yourselves'. Greek verb is ginomai. So they were NOT doing the Word. This is a command.}
- NAU Jam 1:22 But prove yourselves doers of The Word, and not merely hearers who delude themselves.
- $^{\text{BGT}}$ Jam 1:23 ὅτι εἴ τις ἀκροατὴς $\frac{λόγου}{λογου}$ ἐστὶν καὶ οὐ $\frac{1}{100}$ ποιητής, οὧτος ἔοικεν ἀνδρὶ κατανοοῦντι τὸ πρόσωπον τῆς γενέσεως αὐτοῦ ἐν ἐσόπτρω·
- NAU Jam 1:23 For if anyone is a hearer of The Word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks at his natural face in a mirror;
- BGT Jam 1:24 κατενόησεν γὰρ ἑαυτὸν καὶ ἀπελήλυθεν καὶ εύθέως ἐπελάθετο ὁποῖος ἦν.
- NAU Jam 1:24 for *once* he has looked at himself and gone away, he has immediately forgotten what kind of person he was.
- BGT Jam 1:25 ὁ δὲ παρακύψας εἰς νόμον τέλειον τὸν τῆς ἐλευθερίας καὶ παραμείνας, οὐκ ἀκροατὴς ἐπιλησμονῆς γενόμενος ἀλλὰ ποιητής ἔργου,* οῦτος μακάριος ἐν τῆ ποιήσει αὐτοῦ ἔσται.
 - * This would be better translated 'doer of God-deeds', to reflect the anarthrous ergou.}
- NAU Jam 1:25 But one who looks intently at the perfect law, the law of liberty, and abides by it, not having become a forgetful hearer but an effectual doer, this man will be blessed in what he does.
- $^{\text{BGT}}$ Jam 1:26 Εἴ τις δοκεῖ θρησκὸς εἶναι μὴ χαλιναγωγών γλώσσαν αὐτοῦ ἀλλὰ ἀπατών καρδίαν αὐτοῦ, τούτου μάταιος ἡ θρησκεία.
- NAU Jam 1:26 If anyone thinks himself to be religious, and yet does not bridle his tongue but deceives his own heart, this man's religion is worthless.
- BGT **Jam 1:27** θρησκεία καθαρὰ καὶ ἀμίαντος παρὰ τῷ θεῷ καὶ πατρὶ!* αὕτη ἐστίν, ἐπισκέπτεσθαι ὀρφανοὺς καὶ χήρας ἐν τῇ θλίψει αὐτῶν, ἄσπιλον ἑαυτὸν τηρεῖν ἀπὸ τοῦ κόσμου. {* Granville-Sharp rule. 'God-Father' in Hebrew.}
- NAU Jam 1:27 Pure and undefiled religion in the sight of our God and Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

- BGT **Jam 2:1** 'Αδελφοί μου, μὴ ἐν <mark>προσωπολημψίαις</mark> ἔχετε τὴν <mark>πίστιν</mark> τοῦ κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ τῆς δόξης.
- NAU Jam 2:1 My brethren, do not hold your faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ with an attitude of personal favoritism.
- ^{BGT} **Jam 2:2** ἐὰν γὰρ εἰσέλθη εἰς συναγωγὴν ὑμῶν ἀνὴρ <mark>χρυσοδακτύλιος ἐν ἐσθῆτι λαμπρᾳ</mark>, εἰσέλθη δὲ καὶ πτωχὸς ἐν ῥυπαρᾳ ἐσθῆτι,
- NAU Jam 2:2 For if a man comes into your assembly with a gold ring and dressed in fine clothes, and there also comes in a poor man in dirty clothes,
- BGT **Jam 2:3 ἐπιβλέψητε** δὲ ἐπὶ <mark>τὸν</mark> <mark>φοροῦντα</mark> τὴν ἐσθῆτα τὴν λαμπρὰν καὶ εἴπητε· σὺ κάθου ὧδε καλῶς, καὶ τ<mark>ῷ πτωχῷ</mark> εἴπητε· σὺ στῆθι ἐκεῖ ἡ κάθου ὑπὸ τὸ ὑποπόδιόν μου,
- you pay special attention to the one who is wearing the fine clothes, and say, "You sit here in a good place," and you say to the poor man, "You stand over there, or sit down by my footstool,"
- BGT Jam 2:4 οὐ διεκρίθητε ἐν ἑαυτοῖς καὶ ἐγένεσθε κριταὶ διαλογισμῶν πονηρῶν;
- NAU Jam 2:4 have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil motives?
- BGT **Jam 2:5** 'Ακούσατε, ἀδελφοί μου ἀγαπητοί· οὐχ ὁ θεὸς ἐξελέξατο <mark>τοὺς πτωχοὺς</mark> <mark>τῷ κόσμῷ</mark> πλουσίους ἐν πίστει καὶ κληρονόμους τῆς βασιλείας ῆς ἐπηγγείλατο τοῖς ἀγαπῶσιν αὐτόν;
- NAU Jam 2:5 Listen, my beloved brethren: did not God choose the poor of this world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom which He promised to those who love Him?
- BGT **Jam 2:6** ὑμεῖς δὲ ἠτιμάσατε <mark>τὸν πτωχόν</mark>. οὐχ <mark>οἱ πλούσιοι</mark> καταδυναστεύουσιν ὑμῶν καὶ αὐτοὶ ἕλκουσιν ὑμᾶς εἰς κριτήρια;
- NAU Jam 2:6 But you have dishonored the poor man. Is it not the rich who oppress you and personally drag you into court?
- BGT **Jam 2:7** οὐκ αὐτοὶ βλασφημοῦσιν το καλον ὄνομα το ἐπικληθέν.* ἐφ' ὑμᾶς; $\{$ * Doubled articles of rank.}
- NAU Jam 2:7 Do they not blaspheme the fair name by which you have been called?
- BGT **Jam 2:8** Εἰ μέντοι <mark>νόμον</mark> τελεῖτε <mark>βασιλικὸν</mark> κατὰ τὴν γραφήν· ἀγαπήσεις τὸν πλησίον σου ώς σεαυτόν, καλῶς ποιεῖτε·
- NAU Jam 2:8 If, however, you are fulfilling the royal law according to the Scripture, "YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF," you are doing well.
- ^{BGT} **Jam 2:9** εἰ δὲ <mark>προσωπολημπτεῖτε</mark>, <mark>ἄμαρτίαν</mark> ἐργάζεσθε;* ἐλεγχόμενοι ὑπὸ τοῦ νόμου ὡς παραβάται.
 - * lit., 'you are working at sin' anarthrous for stressing bad quality.}
- NAU Jam 2:9 But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors.
- BGT Jam 2:10 ὅστις γὰρ ὅλον τὸν νόμον τηρήση πταίση δὲ ἐν ἑνί, γέγονεν πάντων ἔνοχος.
- NAU Jam 2:10 For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles in one point, he has become guilty of all.

- BGT **Jam 2:11** ὁ γὰρ εἰπών· μὴ μοιχεύσης, εἶπεν καί· μὴ φονεύσης· εἶ δὲ οὐ μοιχεύεις φονεύεις δέ, γέγονας παραβάτης <mark>νόμου</mark>.
- NAU Jam 2:11 For He who said, "DO NOT COMMIT ADULTERY," also said, "DO NOT COMMIT MURDER." Now if you do not commit adultery, but do commit murder, you have become a transgressor of the law.
- BGT Jam 2:12 οὕτως λαλεῖτε καὶ οὕτως ποιεῖτε ώς διὰ <mark>νόμου</mark> ἐλευθερίας μέλλοντες κρίνεσθαι.
- NAU Jam 2:12 So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty.
- BGT Jam 2:13 ή γὰρ κρίσις ἀνέλεος τῷ μὴ ποιήσαντι ἔλεος κατακαυχᾶται ἔλεος κρίσεως.
- NAU Jam 2:13 For judgment will be merciless to one who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.
- BGT **Jam 2:14** Τί <mark>τὸ ὄφελος.</mark>* ἀδελφοί μου, ἐὰν <mark>πίστιν</mark> λέγη τις ἔχειν <mark>ἔργα</mark> δὲ μὴ ἔχη; μὴ δύναται ἡ πίστις σῶσαι αὐτόν;
 - * 'Profit', literally. Root is the idea of heaping up a pile of wealth to get a comfortable life.; investment yield on that 'heap'.}
- NAU Jam 2:14 What use is it, my brethren, if someone says he has faith but he has no works? Can that faith save him?

 * ties back to 1:3, 1:12, 18, 1:21, 1:23, 1:25.}
- BGT Jam 2:15 ἐὰν ἀδελφὸς ἢ ἀδελφὴ <mark>γυμνοὶ</mark> ὑπάρχωσιν καὶ <mark>λειπόμενοι τῆς ἐφημέρου τροφῆς</mark>
- NAU Jam 2:15 If a brother or sister is without clothing and in need of daily food,
- BGT **Jam 2:16** εἴπη δέ τις αὐτοῖς ἐξ ὑμῶν· ὑπάγετε ἐν εἰρήνη, θερμαίνεσθε καὶ χορτάζεσθε, μὴ δῶτε δὲ αὐτοῖς τὰ ἐπιτήδεια τοῦ σώματος, τί τὸ ὄφελος;
- NAU Jam 2:16 and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and be filled," and yet you do not give them what is necessary for their body, what use is that?
- BGT Jam 2:17 οὕτως καὶ ἡ <mark>πίστις</mark>, ἐὰν μὴ ἔχῃ <mark>ἔργα</mark>, <mark>νεκρά *</mark> ἐστιν καθ' ἑαυτήν.
 - dead seed, tieback to 1:15's carnality, 18's birthing by God, 1:21's dechomai ton emphuton logon, save your souls, 23's hearer only.}
- NAU Jam 2:17 Even so faith, if it has no works, is dead, being by itself.
- $^{\text{BGT}}$ Jam 2:18 'Αλλ' έρει τις σὺ <mark>πίστιν</mark> ἔχεις, κἀγὼ <mark>ἔργα</mark> ἔχω δειξόν μοι τὴν πίστιν σου χωρις <mark>τῶν ἔργων</mark>, κἀγώ σοι δείξω <mark>ἐκ τῶν ἔργων</mark> μου τὴν πίστιν.
- value of the works, and I will show you my faith by my works."

 NAU Jam 2:18 But someone may well say, "You have faith and I have works; show me your faith without the works, and I will show you my faith by my works."
- $^{\text{BGT}}$ Jam 2:19 σὲ πιστεύεις ὅτι εἷς ἐστιν ὁ θεός, καλῶς ποιεῖς καὶ τὰ δαιμόνια πιστεύουσιν καὶ φρίσσουσιν.
- NAU Jam 2:19 You believe that God is one. You do well; the demons also believe, and shudder.
- BGT Jam 2:20 Θέλεις δὲ γνῶναι, ὧ ἄνθρωπε κενέ, ὅτι ἡ πίστις χωρὶς τῶν ἔργων ἀργή ἐστιν;
- NAU Jam 2:20 But are you willing to recognize, you foolish fellow, that faith without works is useless?

- BGT **Jam 2:21** 'Αβραὰμ ὁ πατὴρ ἡμῶν οὐκ <mark>ἐξ ἔργων</mark> ἐδικαιώθη <mark>ἀνενέγκας</mark> 'Ισαὰκ τὸν υἱὸν αὐτοῦ ἐπὶ τὸ [™] θυσιαστήριον;
- NAU Jam 2:21 Was not Abraham our father justified by works when he offered up Isaac his son on the altar?
- BGT Jam 2:22 βλέπεις ότι ἡ <mark>πίστις συνήργει</mark>* τοῖς ἔργοις</mark> αὐτοῦ καὶ ἐκ τῶν ἔργων ἡ <mark>πίστις</mark> ἐτελειώθη,
- Jam 2:22 You see that faith was working with his works, and as a result of the works, faith was perfected; should

be ON his works.

- Intransitive verb. Only used for God's work, in Scripture. God works through humans, or directly: Mk. 16:20; Rom. 8:28; 1 Co. 16:16; 2 Co. 6:1; Jas. 2:22}
- BGT **Jam 2:23** καὶ ἐπληρώθη ἡ γραφὴ ἡ λέγουσα· ἐπίστευσεν δὲ ᾿Αβραὰμ τῷ θεῷ, καὶ ἐλογίσθη αὐτῷ εἰς δικαιοσύνην καὶ <mark>φίλος</mark> θεοῦ ἐκλήθη.
- NAU Jam 2:23 and the Scripture was fulfilled which says, "AND ABRAHAM BELIEVED GOD, AND IT WAS RECKONED TO HIM AS RIGHTEOUSNESS," and he was called the friend of God.
- BGT Jam 2:24 δρατε ότι έξ ἔργων δικαιοῦται ἄνθρωπος καὶ οὐκ <mark>έκ πίστεως</mark> μόνον.
- NAU Jam 2:24 You see that a man is justified by works and not by faith alone.
- ^{BGT} **Jam 2:25** ὁμοίως δὲ καὶ Ῥαὰβ ἡ πόρνη οὐκ <mark>ἐξ ἔργων</mark> ἐδικαιώθη ὑποδεξαμένη τοὺς ἀγγέλους καὶ ἑτέρα ὁδῷ ἐκβαλοῦσα;
- NAU Jam 2:25 In the same way, was not Rahab the harlot also justified by works when she received the messengers and sent them out by another way?
- ^{BGT} **Jam 2:26** ὥσπερ γὰρ <mark>τὸ σῶμα</mark> χωρὶς <mark>πνεύματος</mark> <mark>νεκρόν</mark> ἐστιν, οὕτως καὶ ἡ <mark>πίστις</mark> χωρὶς <mark>ἔργων</mark> <mark>νεκρά</mark> ἐστιν.
- NAU Jam 2:26 For just as the body without the Spirit is dead, so also faith without works is dead.

Putative Dateline Meter in James

- Ι:Ι Ἰάκωβος θεοῦ καὶ κυρ<u>ίου</u> Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ δοῦλος 14 ταῖς δώδεκα φυλαῖς ταῖς ἐν τῇ δ<u>ια</u>σπορῷ χαίρειν. 14
- * Dateline = 28 years after Christ died, 40 years left to pre-Church Scheduled Millennium, same as Mary's balancing in Magnificat.
- **Ι:2** Πᾶσαν χαρὰν ἡγήσασθε, ἀδελφού μου, ¹² ὅταν πειρασμοῖς περιπέσητε ποικίλοις, ¹³
- **Ι:3** γινώσκοντες ὅτι τὸ δοκίμιον ὑμῶν 12 τῆς πίστεως κατεργάζεται ὑπομονήν. 13 50 * 78
- Harvesting the Gentiles' period aka Pentecost and Jubilee, which was one of the three 'times' of the Gentiles, was supposed to last 50 years; is assumed and not counted, between Daniel 9:26 and :27. From Christ's death, that would be '80', to balance to 40 years plus His pre-rejection on-earth allotment of 40 years (to equal David's regnal period). So James reminds readers of The Character of the Character of the Character of the Lime. First Gentile 'time' Jews know even today, was from Adam to Abraham, which Bible accounts as 2100 years; but Jews today, round to '2000'. Second 'time', the 50 years; third 'time', the first or last 3.5 years of Trib, depending on how you account Temple's apostate reconstruction (against God's orders, sarcasm in Rev 11). The 50+3.5 reimburse the Gentiles for Abraham's too-early maturation, which softo voce James reminds them of, in James 2:21-23.
- **Ι:4** ἡ δὲ ὑπομονὴ ἔργον τέλειον ἐχέτω, 14 ἵνα ἦτε τέλειοι καὶ ὁλόκληροι ἐν μηδενὶ λειπόμενοι. 20
- James' subtheme is Psalm 90's Plan of Time, Jas1:10-11: two-track timeline, upcoming Millennium per pre-Church Schedule, when Christ would have been 98 years old. So this total measures from his BIRTH, and balances full-circle to the 28 from the same endpoint, the Millennium. So James' meter, plays on Paul's Eph1:3-14, and the Magnificat. Notice how he plays on the 84 (112-28). Notice how 112-14-28=70. Notice how Psalm 90:10 is on 70. Your lifetime is VOTE TIME. Cute. So he seems to confirm Paul's meter trend away from an immediate Rapture. Or, if somehow Ephesians came out later, Paul then would confirm James?