MAINTAINING HOPE IN STRESS-FILLED TIMES August 16, 2020

"You must be patient. Keep your hopes high, for the day of the Lord's coming is near." James 5:8 (TEV)

SIX BIBLICAL TRUTHS WE MUST CLING TO ...

1.	We know
	"Take the old prophets as your mentors. They put up with anything, they went through everything, and never once quit, all the time honoring God." James 5:10 (MSG)
	"We fix our attention, not on the things that are seen, but on things that are unseen, because what can be seen is temporary and will last only for a short time, but what cannot be seen will last forever." 2 Cor 4:18 (TEV)
2.	We know
	"Dear brothers and sisters, when troubles of any kind come your way, consider it an opportunity for great joy. For you know that when your faith is tested, your endurance has a chance to grow. So let it grow, for when your endurance is full developed, you will be strong in character and ready for anything." James 1:2-4 (NLT)
	"These little troubles are getting us ready for an eternal glory that will make all of our troubles seem like nothing." 2 Cor 4:17 (CEV)
3.	We know
	"Always be slow to become angry because human anger will never achieve God's righteous purpose." James 1:19-20 (CEV)
4.	We know
	"Abraham believed God, and because of his faith God accepted him as righteous. And so Abraham was called God's friend." James 2:23 (TEV)
5.	We know
	"Be patient. Stay steady and strong because the Lord could arrive at any time." James 5:8 (MSG)
6.	We know
	"Happy are those who remain faithful under trials, because when they succeed in passing such a test, they will receive as their reward the life which

God has promised to those who love him." James 1:12 (TEV)