Embrace Holy Living



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James 5:7-12

Wait means to stand firm and stay put. The prophet Habakkuk tells us, "For the revelation awaits an appointed time; it speaks of the end and will not prove false. Though it linger, wait for it; it will certainly come and will not delay" (2:3).

A friend of mine was dying. As his family stood around his bed, he awoke and said, "I just saw my mansion." Then he closed his eyes. His daughter bent close and said, "Daddy, tell us about it." For a moment there was no response. Then my friend opened his eyes and said he could not describe in words the glory he had seen. His words encouraged us to wait for the coming of the Lord and not quit.

In waiting we anticipate. As we see things occurring around Israel and the Middle East, we can be reassured that Jesus is about to come for his Church. Mark 13:29 says, "Even so, when you see these things happening, you know that it is near, right at the door." To observe the news and read the Bible is to realize that the end of time is near.

May we keep the faith while waiting and watching.