- 11 For the bodies of those beasts, whose blood is brought into the holies by the high priest for sin, are burned without the camp.
- 12 Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people by his own blood, suffered without the gate.
- 13 Let us go forth therefore to him without the camp, bearing his reproach.
- 14 For we have not here a lasting city, but we seek one that is to come.
- 15 By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise always to God, that is to say, the fruit of lips confessing to his name.
- 16 And do not forget to do good, and to impart; for by such sacrifices God's favour is obtained.
- 17 Obey your prelates, and be subject to them. For they watch as being to render an account of your souls; that they may do this with joy, and not with grief. For this is not expedient for you.
- 18 Pray for us. For we trust we have a good conscience, being willing to behave ourselves well in all things.
- 19 And I beseech you the more to do this, that I may be restored to you the sooner.
- 20 And may the God of peace, who brought again from the dead the great pastor of the sheep, our Lord Jesus Christ, in the blood of the everlasting testament,
- 21 Fit you in all goodness, that you may do his will; doing in you that which is well pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom is glory for ever and ever. Amen.
- 22 And I beseech you, brethren, that you suffer this word of consolation. For I have written to you in a few words.
- 23 Know ye that our brother Timothy is set at liberty: with whom (if he come shortly) I will see you.

- **24** Salute all your prelates, and all the saints. The brethren from Italy salute you.
 - 25 Grace be with you all. Amen.

The Catholic Epistle of St. James the Apostle

Chapter 1

James the servant of God, and of our Lord Jesus Christ, to the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad, greeting.

- **2** My brethren, count it all joy, when you shall fall into divers temptations;
- **3** Knowing that the trying of your faith worketh patience.
- 4 And patience hath a perfect work; that you may be perfect and entire, failing in nothing.
- **5** But if any of you want wisdom, let him ask of God, who giveth to all men abundantly, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.
- **6** But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea, which is moved and carried about by the wind.
- 7 Therefore let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord.
- **8** A double minded man is inconstant in all his ways.
- **9** But let the brother of low condition glory in his exaltation:
- 10 And the rich, in his being low; because as the flower of the grass shall he pass away.
- 11 For the sun rose with a burning heat, and parched the grass, and the flower thereof fell off, and the beauty of the shape thereof perished: so also shall the rich man fade away in his ways.

- 12 Blessed is the man that endureth temptation; for when he hath been proved, he shall receive a crown of life, which God hath promised to them that love him.
- 13 Let no man, when he is tempted, say that he is tempted by God. For God is not a tempter of evils, and he tempteth no man.
- 14 But every man is tempted by his own concupiscence, being drawn away and allured.
- 15 Then when concupiscence hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin. But sin, when it is completed, begetteth death.
 - 16 Do not err, therefore, my dearest brethren.
- 17 Every best gift, and every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no change, nor shadow of alteration.
- 18 For of his own will hath he begotten us by the word of truth, that we might be some beginning of his creatures.
- 19 You know, my dearest brethren. And let every man be swift to hear, but slow to speak, and slow to anger.
- **20** For the anger of man worketh not the justice of God.
- 21 Wherefore casting away all uncleanness, and abundance of naughtiness, with meekness receive the ingrafted word, which is able to save your souls.

- **22** But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.
- 23 For if a man be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he shall be compared to a man beholding his own countenance in a glass.
- **24** For he beheld himself, and went his way, and presently forgot what manner of man he was.
- 25 But he that hath looked into the perfect law of liberty, and hath continued therein, not becoming a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work; this man shall be blessed in his deed.
- 26 And if any man think himself to be religious, not bridling his tongue, but deceiving his own heart, this man's religion is vain.
- 27 Religion clean and undefiled before God and the Father, is this: to visit the fatherless and widows in their tribulation: and to keep one's self unspotted from this world.

Chapter 2

My brethren, have not the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ of glory with respect of persons.

- **2** For if there shall come into your assembly a man having a golden ring, in fine apparel, and there shall come in also a poor man in mean attire,
- **3** And you have respect to him that is clothed with the fine apparel, and shall say to him: Sit thou here well; but say to the poor man: Stand thou there, or sit under my footstool:
- 4 Do you not judge within yourselves, and are become judges of unjust thoughts?
- 5 Hearken, my dearest brethren: hath not God chosen the poor in this world, rich in faith, and heirs of the kingdom which God hath promised to them that love him?
- **6** But you have dishonoured the poor man. Do not the rich oppress you by might? and do not

they draw you before the judgment seats?

- **7** Do not they blaspheme the good name that is invoked upon you?
- **8** If then you fulfil the royal law, according to the scriptures, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself; you do well.
- **9** But if you have respect to persons, you commit sin, being reproved by the law as transgressors
- 10 And whosoever shall keep the whole law, but offend in one point, is become guilty of all.
- 11 For he that said, Thou shalt not commit adultery, said also, Thou shalt not kill. Now if thou do not commit adultery, but shalt kill, thou art become a transgressor of the law.
- 12 So speak ye, and so do, as being to be judged by the law of liberty.
- 13 For judgment without mercy to him that hath not done mercy. And mercy exalteth itself above judgment.
- 14 What shall it profit, my brethren, if a man say he hath faith, but hath not works? Shall faith be able to save him?
- 15 And if a brother or sister be naked, and want daily food:
- 16 And one of you say to them: Go in peace, be ye warmed and filled; yet give them not those things that are necessary for the body, what shall it profit?
- 17 So faith also, if it have not works, is dead in itself.
- 18 But some man will say: Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without works; and I will shew thee, by works, my faith.
- 19 Thou believest that there is one God. Thou dost well: the devils also believe and tremble.
- **20** But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?
- 21 Was not Abraham our father justified by works, offering up Isaac his son upon the altar?