

Sunday August 9<sup>th</sup> 2015  
It's Still Raining  
Part Two  
Study Questions

1). Read Hosea 6:1-3, Joel 2:21-26, 2 Chronicles 6:24-27 and Deuteronomy 32:1 – How should we understand the 'earth' and the 'rain' with regards to Israel's past, Israel's present and Israel's future?

2). Read James 5:7-8 – What metaphor is used in these verses, what is the connection with the earth and rain metaphor and what should we learn from them with respect to ourselves?

3). What is the command given to us in James 5:8 and what would it look like to accomplish this given the verses we looked at in Deuteronomy 28:9 and Romans 16:25-26?

4). Read Genesis 1:9-13, Genesis 3:17-19 and Isaiah 55:10-13 – What do you think these verses add to our overall understanding of Hebrews 6:7-8?

6). What then does it look like for us to ‘cultivate’ the ‘earth’, having received the rain, in order that we might produce a harvest?

a). What would you say are the key elements to this?

7). What is the most significant thing that we should take away from this study do you think?