

## In a Word: Rain – Matthew 5:45

### I. Rain in the Beginning

1. At the creation, before man, the Lord had not yet caused it to \_\_\_\_\_ on the earth.  
(Genesis 2:4–5)
2. The 2<sup>nd</sup> mention of rain is found in Genesis 7:4. God told Noah it would rain for \_\_\_\_\_ days and \_\_\_\_\_ nights.
3. What two natural occurrences began after the flood?  
(1) Genesis 8:22 - \_\_\_\_\_ (2) Genesis 9:11, 13 - \_\_\_\_\_
4. According to the Law, God would supply rain for crops as long as the people kept His \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Leviticus 26:3–4)
5. The withholding of rain was used as a P \_\_\_ N \_\_\_ H \_\_\_ N \_\_\_ for disobedience.  
(Deuteronomy 11:17)

### II. Rain in the New Testament

6. When Paul was shipwrecked at Malta, it was \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. (Acts 28:2)
7. While preaching at Lystra, Paul gave God credit for the rain from \_\_\_\_\_. (Acts 28:2)
8. Just as the farmer waits on the spring and autumn rains, James encourages Christians to be \_\_\_\_\_ while waiting on the Lord's return. (James 5:7)
9. Jesus used a rainstorm in His parable of the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ builders.  
(Matthew 7:24–25)
10. God makes His sun rise on the \_\_\_\_\_ and on the \_\_\_\_\_, and sends rain on the \_\_\_\_\_ and on the \_\_\_\_\_. (Matthew 5:45)
11. Bad things happen in the world because the wages of \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Romans 6:23)
12. God is patient and does not want anyone to be lost, but wants all people to \_\_\_\_\_.  
(2 Peter 3:9)
13. The saving grace of God has appeared to \_\_\_\_\_ people. (Titus 2:11)
14. Christians have a living \_\_\_\_\_ and a place reserved in heaven. (1 Peter 1:3–4)