

The Book of James Lesson 4: Being a Doer of the Word: James 1:21-25 / James 1:5-11

1. Living right is important

James 1:21

Before the Word of God can renew your mind, you must make a decision _____

2. The Word is a mirror

James 1:22-25

We should not only ______ to the Word, we should also do or ______ it.

The Word is called a mirror. When we look into the Word we can see two things:

- What we need to correct and change in our lives
- What we truly are as believers in Jesus Christ

It is important that you look at yourself in the Word of God. We should be careful to avoid seeing (judging) others in the Word.

You should be more concerned with yourself.

Hearing and doing go together.

- Hearing but not doing = _____
- Hearing and doing = _____

Matthew 7:24-27

Romans 2:13 for not the hearers of the law are just in the sight of God, but the doers of the law will be justified;

The Gospel is called the law of liberty.

- Freedom is attained by submitting to life-giving laws.

Definition of CONTINUES: Continues to do so; not departing until all stains are washed away.

3. Wisdom

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James 1:5

We can pray for wisdom.

God will give us wisdom liberally and without reproach.

Definition of LIBERALLY:

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- Openly
- Frankly
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- Led solely by His desire to bless

Definition of WITHOUT REPROACH: Not condescendingly or in an insulting way

4. Asking in faith

James 1:6

Definition of ASK: _____

It is not commanding, but rather asking something you know He wants to give you.

5. Double-minded

James 1:7, 8

Someone who doubts when they pray will not receive anything from the Lord.

Definition of DOUBLE-MINDED:

• _____

• Uncertain

James 4:8

The Bible gives examples of praying in faith.

Mark 11:23, 24

Romans 4:21

When you pray a prayer of faith, you _____ God's will in the situation.

A person who vacillates between faith and unbelief is unstable in all his ways, not just his prayer life.

6. Rich and poor in the Body of Christ

James 1:9-11

James 1:9, 10 – Amplified Bible

Let the brother in humble circumstances glory in his elevation [as a Christian, called to the true riches and to be an heir of God], and the rich [person ought to glory] in being humbled [by being shown his human frailty], because like the flower of the grass he will pass away.

Definition of LOWLY:

The Christian who is poor materially can rejoice in his or her position in Christ.

This is not saying it is a sin to be rich.

Those who pursue riches will fade away. Actually, every material possession will not last.