

Book of James Study

Men of Grace

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James 1:19-27

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Main Idea

Wise living involves obedience to God's Word, especially in the areas of speech, caring for the poor and helpless, and living "unworldly" lives.

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Outline

Verses 19 – 20

"Born again" believers should use wise and controlled speech

Verses 21-25

"Born again" believers must accept and obey God's Word

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Verses 26 – 27

True religion summarized

- *Control your tongue*
- *Care for the poor and oppressed*
- *Refuse to let the world corrupt you*

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Discussion Questions

1. *What is the modern day equivalent of "caring for orphans and widows in their distress?" How can we do this?*
2. *What does "refusing to let the world corrupt you" mean for men in the OC in 2009?*

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Thank You

JAMES 1:19-27

1:19 UNDERSTAND THIS, MY DEAR BROTHERS:

YOU MUST BE QUICK TO LISTEN,
SLOW TO SPEAK,
AND SLOW TO GET ANGRY.

20. HUMAN ANGER DOES NOT PRODUCE THE RIGHTEOUSNESS
GOD DESIRES.

21. SO

GET RID OF ALL THE FILTH
AND EVIL IN YOUR LIVES,

AND

HUMBLY ACCEPT THE WORD

GOD HAS IMPLANTED IN YOUR HEARTS,

FOR

IT HAS THE POWER TO SAVE YOUR SOULS.

22. BUT

DON'T JUST LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD.
YOU MUST DO WHAT IT SAYS
OTHERWISE,

YOU ARE FOOLING YOURSELVES

23. FOR

IF YOU LISTEN TO THE WORD AND DON'T OBEY,

IT IS LIKE GLAZING AS YOUR FACE IN A MIRROR

24. YOU SEE YOURSELF, WALK AWAY

AND FORGET WHAT YOU LOOK LIKE.

25. BUT

IF YOU LOOK CAREFULLY

INTO THE PERFECT LAW

THAT SETS YOU FREE,

AND

IF YOU DO WHAT IT SAYS

AND DON'T FORGET WHAT YOU HEARD,

THEN

GOD WILL BLESS YOU FOR DOING IT.

1.26 IF YOU CLAIM TO BE RELIGIOUS
BUT DON'T CONTROL YOUR TONGUE,
YOU ARE FOOLING YOURSELF,
AND YOUR RELIGION IS WORTHLESS.

1.27 PURE AND GENUINE RELIGION IN THE SIGHT OF GODS ~~THE FATHER~~
MEANS
CARING FOR ORPHANS AND WIDOWS
IN THEIR DISTRESS
AND
REFUSING TO LET THE WORLD CARRIAT YOU.