



Deceived or Devoted?

James 1: 16-18 | Thomas Slager

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Three key ideas to discover in this passage:

What is deception and who seeks to deceive people?

Where do all good things in life come from?

God has the goal of “bringing us forth”. His purpose is for each Believer to exhibit what He created us to be.

1. Why would James tell Believers to not be deceived? Who deceives Believers? For what purpose? What are some of the lies Satan uses to deceive us? What are some of the deceptions these Believers may have faced? What deceptions do we face today?
2. How can a person not “bite” into Satan's deception?
3. Take a few minutes before your small group meeting and write down 10-15 good gifts you have received from God. Be prepared to share the good things God has given you and done for you.
4. Read James 1:18 and share what you think James is saying to the Believers in his church? How do you think this applies to us today?
5. How would you put this passage into practice in your life, trials, and the good things you have been given?