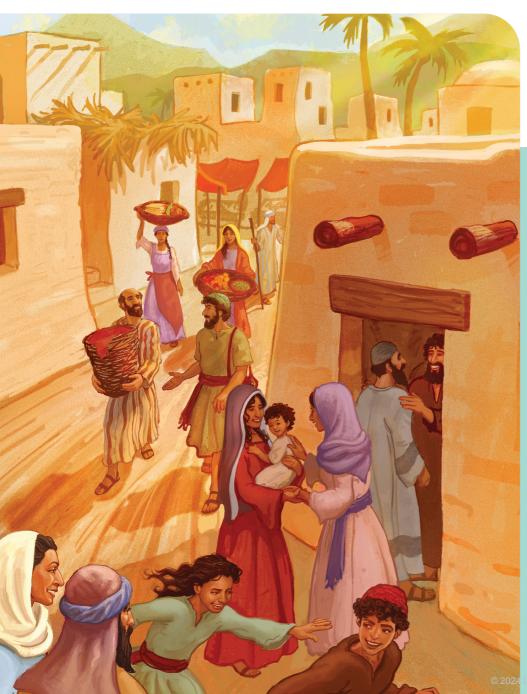
## JAMES' LETTER TO CHURCHES



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## JAMES 1-3

James was a church leader in Jerusalem. James wrote a letter to churches far away from Jerusalem. James wrote about what people should do to live in a way that pleases God.

James wrote: "Dear brothers, understand what I am writing. Listen, speak wisely, don't be angry. Being angry does not help.

"Be doers, not just hearers." James meant that people should do more than read the Bible. People should learn what the Bible says to do, then do it!

James told the people to take care of widows and children without parents. "Don't be kind to some people, and not to others," James said. James reminded the people that God loves everyone. "If you love your neighbor as much as you love yourself, you are doing well," said James.

James knew people's actions showed whether they loved God. James said our words should be kind, too. Don't say mean or untrue things. Spend time thinking about God and talking to Him.

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