
FAITH
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LIVE IT OUT
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In

ACCOUNTABILITY

To

God’s LAW

JAMES Outline

- **1:2-18** Two spiritual Maturation Pathways – Sin unto Death / Faith unto Life
- **1:19-2:13** FAITH that LIVES by the Kingdom of God LAW "to love one's neighbor as oneself" (**Lev. 19:18**)
- **2:14-26** FAITH is DEAD without LIVING for the Kingdom of God
- **3:1-12** Maturation of FAITH shown in LIVING/OBEYING the Kingdom of God LAW by controlling one's SPEECH
- **3:13-18** Godly WISDOM shown by LIVING/OBEYING the Kingdom of God LAW to LOVE
- **4:1-10** Submit to God not to passions and the Kingdom of the World system

JAMES Outline (contd.)

- **4:11-12** The Kingdom of God LAW prohibits malicious judging (slander) of one another
- **4:13-17** LIVE by God's Will not your own
- **5:1-6** Pronouncement of Eschatological judgment on the WEALTHY who have transgressed the Kingdom of God LAW
- **5:7-9** Exhortation to the oppressed to HOPE patiently in the THEODICY of the Kingdom of God at Jesus' return
- **5:12** Admonition to speak the TRUTH
- **5:13-20** Maturing FAITH is engaged in a community of FAITH

James 2:8-13

“If, however, you are fulfilling the royal law, according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing well. [9] But if you show partiality, you are committing sin *and are convicted by the law as transgressors.* [10] *For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles in one point, he has become guilty of all.* [11] *For He who said, "Do not commit adultery," also said, "Do not commit murder." Now if you do not commit adultery, but do commit murder, you have become a transgressor of the law.* [12] *So speak and so act, as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty.* [13] *For judgment will be merciless to one who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.”*

God's LAW in JAMES

- **1:25** One who abides in the Perfect LAW of Liberty is blessed in his/her doings
- **1:26-27** Pure and undefiled service to God is to live out the Royal LAW
- **2:8** To love others as oneself is to keep the Royal LAW
- **2:10-12** God's LAW is a holistic standard which holds man accountable
- **4:11** God's LAW protects man from abuse

God's LAW for Duty and Devotion

- God's LAW prescribes Duty (**James 4:17**)
- God's LAW inspires and informs Devotion (**Psalm 119**)

Godly Wisdom

- **Deuteronomy 4:5-6** “See, I have taught you statutes and judgments just as the LORD my God commanded me, that you should do thus in the land where you are entering to possess it. 6 "So keep and do *them, for that is your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples who will hear all these statutes and say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.”*

- **Ephesians 5:15-16** Therefore be careful how you walk, not as unwise men, but as wise, making the most of your time, because the days are evil.

God's LAW for Devotion: WISDOM

- 119:24 Thy testimonies also are my delight; *They are my counselors.*
- 119:59 I considered my ways, And turned my feet to Thy testimonies.
- 119:66 Teach me good discernment and knowledge, For I believe in Thy commandments.
- 119:98 Thy commandments make me wiser than my enemies, For they are ever mine.
- 119:99 I have more insight than all my teachers, For Thy testimonies are my meditation.
- 119:100 I understand more than the aged, Because I have observed Thy precepts.

Godly Thought Life

Philippians 4:8 Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, let your mind dwell on these things.

God's LAW for Devotion: TRUTH

- 119:29 Remove the false way from me, And graciously grant me Thy law.
- 119:151 Thou art near, O LORD, And all Thy commandments are truth.
- 119:160 The sum of Thy word is truth, And every one of Thy righteous ordinances is everlasting.

God's LAW for Devotion: RIGHTEOUSNESS

- 119:36 Incline my heart to Thy testimonies, And not to *dishonest gain.*
- 119:137 Righteous art Thou, O LORD, And upright are Thy judgments.
- 119:144 The righteousness of thy testimonies is for ever: give me understanding, and I shall live.
- 119:172 Let my tongue sing of Thy word, For all Thy commandments are righteousness.

God's LAW for Devotion: PURITY

- 119:9 How can a young man keep his way pure? By keeping *it according to Thy word.*
- 119:140 Thy word is very pure, Therefore Thy servant loves it.

Godly Living

Galatians 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, [23] gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

God's LAW for Devotion: JOY

- 119:14 I have rejoiced in the way of Thy testimonies, As much as in all riches.
- 119:54 Thy statutes are my songs In the house of my pilgrimage.
- 119:111 I have inherited Thy testimonies forever, For they are the joy of my heart.
- 119:143 Trouble and anguish have come upon me; *Yet Thy commandments are my delight.*
- 119:162 I rejoice at Thy word, As one who finds great spoil.

God's LAW for Devotion: PEACE

- 119:165 Those who love Thy law have great peace, And nothing causes them to stumble

God's LAW for Devotion: FAITHFULNESS

- 119:30 I have chosen the faithful way; I have placed Thine ordinances *before me.*

God's LAW for Devotion: HOLINESS

- 119:7 I shall give thanks to Thee with uprightness of heart, When I learn Thy righteous judgments.
- 119:11 Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.

God's LAW for Devotion: BLESSING

- 119:2 How blessed are those who observe His testimonies, Who seek Him with all *their heart*
- 119:65 Thou hast dealt well with Thy servant, O LORD, according to Thy word.
- 119:72 The law of Thy mouth is better to me Than thousands of gold and silver *pieces.*

God's LAW for Devotion: HEALING

- 119:50 This is my comfort in my affliction, That Thy word has revived me.
- 119:93 I will never forget Thy precepts, For by them Thou hast revived me.
- 119:107 I am exceedingly afflicted; Revive me, O LORD, according to Thy word.
- 119:156 Great are Thy mercies, O LORD; Revive me according to Thine ordinances.

God's LAW for Devotion: HOPE

- 119:116 Sustain me according to Thy word, that I may live; And do not let me be ashamed of my hope.
- 119:161 Princes persecute me without cause, But my heart stands in awe of Thy words.

God's LAW for Devotion: WORSHIP

- 119:38 Establish Thy word to Thy servant, As that which produces reverence for Thee.
- 119:63 I am a companion of all those who fear Thee, And of those who keep Thy precepts.
- 119:171 Let my lips utter praise, For Thou dost teach me Thy statutes.