Faith Results in Good Works James - Part 2

James 2:14-26

Series Memory Verse: "So you see, faith by itself isn't enough. Unless it produces good deeds, it is dead and useless." James 2:17 (p.931)

- My Faith Comes Alive With Good Works.
- 1. I demonstrate my faith through actions.

"What good is it, dear brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but don't show it by your actions? Can that kind of faith save anyone? Suppose you see a brother or sister who has no food or clothing, and you say, 'Good-bye and have a good day; stay warm and eat well'—but then you don't give that person any food or clothing. What good does that do?" James 2:14-16 (p.931)

"My faith continually combines trust in God with action in the world."

"If someone has enough money to live well and sees a brother or sister in need but shows no compassion—how can God's love be in that person?" 1 John 3:17 (p.942)

2. I prove my faith with a transformed life.

"Now someone may argue, 'Some people have faith; others have good deeds.' But I say, 'How can you show me your faith if you don't have good deeds? ...How foolish! Can't you see that faith without good deeds is useless?" James 2:18-20 (p.931)

"No one acts without faith, and no one's faith is real unless they act."

"I am praying that you will put into action the generosity that comes from your faith as you understand and experience all the good things we have in Christ." Philemon 1:6 (p.919)

3. I commit to faith that works.

"Don't you remember that our ancestor Abraham was shown to be right with God by his actions when he offered his son Isaac on the altar? ... You see, his faith and his actions worked together. His actions made his faith complete." James 2:21-22 (p.931)

"Just as the body is dead without breath, so also faith is dead without good works." James 2:26 (p.931)

My Next Step This Week: I am taking this one intentional step to demonstrate my faith in a practical way: