

Faith Works . . . So Do It!

James 1:19-27

I. Faith works by **HEARING** God's Word

- Know it, receive it, have it become a part of you
- Grafted in—to be one with, inseparable
- The heat of trials expose what's rooted in your heart

II. Faith works by hearing God's Word and **DOING IT**

- The Word reveals like a mirror
- Time to clean up—anger, tongue, filth
- Don't be deceived (x3)

III. Faith works by hearing God's Word, and doing it, from a **GENUINE HEART** (true religion)

• Thrēskeia (*thrace-ki'-ah*): Ceremonial observance, religious worship/discipline

- Genuine ('jenyōōən): Truly what something is said to be; authentic
- Bless those that cannot pay you back (Luke 14:13-14)
- The blood of Christ purchased (1 Peter 1:17-19) a spot-free you (2 Peter 3:14)

IV. Our Response

- A. How are you grafting God's Word into your heart? (looking in the mirror)
- B. What is the produce of your mouth and/or anger? (Do you have "ears to hear"? Don't just look and walk away!)
- C. Who can you bless and how?
- D. What is a stain you need to remove from your life?

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