

## **“Being Quick To Hear”**

### **No Place For Piece-meal Morality**

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- I. Salutation (Jam 1.1)
- II. Prologue: Respond to trials biblically, i.e., properly (Jam 1.2–18)
- III. Theme: Handling trials God’s way (Jam 1.19-20)
- IV. Handling trials God’s way necessitates godly behavior (Jam 1.21 — 5.6)
  - A. Handling trials humbly by being quick to hear (Jam 1.21 — 2.26)
    - 1. Being quick to hear is more than simple listening (1.21-27)
    - 2. Being quick to hear is more than simple, piecemeal morality (2.1-13)

Jam 2.1 — This verse is even stronger when translated, not for flowing English, but for its powerful exhortation!  
<sup>1</sup> My brethren, — not with *an attitude of* personal favoritism — do hold your faith in our glorious Lord Jesus — Christ { Messiah } of glory.

Jam 2.2 — the word translated “assembly” can be rendered synagogue but is probably in its broader sense, place of assembly, or meeting.

For a faith-filled, doer of the Word, check out Mark 12.41.44!

For look at your own calling as Christians, my brothers. You don’t see among you many of the wise (according to this world’s judgment) nor many of the ruling class, nor many from the noblest families. But God has chosen what the world calls foolish to shame the wise; he has chosen what the world calls weak to shame the strong. He has chosen things of little strength and small repute, yes and even things which have no real existence to explode the pretensions of the things that are - that no man may boast in the presence of God. Yet from this same God you have received your standing in Jesus Christ, and he has become for us the true wisdom, a matter, in practice, of being made righteous and holy, in fact, of being redeemed. And this makes us see the truth of scripture: ‘He who glories, let him glory in the Lord.’

I Cor 1.26-31, J.B. Phillips