

## **“Being Quick To Hear”**

### **Believers Who Look Like Believers! No Room For Passive Piety!**

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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 morality (2.1-13)
    - 3. Being quick to hear is more than passive faith (2.14-26)

In his “Synopsis of the Books of the Bible,” worthy of note is Darby’s comment on this passage: “James, remark, never says that works { deeds} justify us *before God*; for God can see the faith without its works { deeds}. He knows that life is there. It is in exercise with regard to Him, towards Him, by trust in His word, in Himself, by receiving His testimony in spite of everything within and without. This God sees and knows. But when our fellow creatures are in question, when it must be said ‘shew,’ then faith, life, shows itself in works { deeds}.”

J. N. Darby, *Synopsis of the Books of the Bible: Colossians to Revelation*. (Bellingham, WA: Logos Bible Software, 2008), 413. {—} added

So, where can we go . . . 4 things we can recognize!

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