

Lesson 6

James

Christians Show Faith by Works

Read James to answer the following:

1. What do “divers temptations” (means “*trials God gives to prove a Christian’s faith*”) bring?
(James 1:2-3) _____
which makes one (James 1:4): _____
2. What if you don’t know what to do? (James 1:5-6) _____
Describe a double minded man. (James 1:8): _____

3. Explain James 1:13-15: _____

4. How can one escape temptations? (James 1:21) _____

5. Write James 1:22: _____

6. Explain James 1:23-24: _____

7. What can we learn from James 2:18? _____

8. Who showed his faith by his works? (James 2:21-24) _____ What
was he called? _____ Who else
showed faith by works? (James 2:25) _____
9. What does James 4:4 teach? _____

10. What does James 4:7-8 teach? _____

11. Write James 4:17: _____

Answers:

1. Divers temptations bring patience makes one able to persevere, consistently, by standing fast; Patience makes one complete and entire, wanting nothing;

2. When you do not know what to do, ask God for wisdom and He will give it; A double minded man is one who suffers from divided loyalties as in one who wishes to maintain a religious confession, wanting God's presence in his life, but loves the ways of the world and prefers to live according to its mores and ethics. This person is never fully committed to the Christian life, then unstable in everything;

3. God does not tempt people with evil, but each person is tempted when he listens to the fleshly appetites of this carnal world. If he listens, choosing to sin, we are to remember that sin brings forth death;

4. One must choose to lay aside all wicked things and instead choose to hide God's Word in one's heart (remember Psalm 119:11: "Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee")

5. "But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves" (James 1:22);

6. They are a picture of one who has seen what is wrong, things that need to be corrected, yet leaves that mirror without making any corrections – continuing to only hear, and not do, God's Word;

7. James was teaching Christians that faith and works go hand in hand. Because is an issue of the heart, physical works are a necessity to show the world what has taken place in the heart;

8. Abraham; the Friend of God; Rahab;

9. That one who befriends (by adopting of the interests of the world to be one's own) the world becomes an enemy of God;

10. Christians are to submit to God, resist the devil, and he will flee from us. We then are to draw nigh to God, eliminate sin, repent in one's heart, and quit being double minded.

11. "Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin."