

The Book Of James
#4- Being and Doing

Report On Australia trip.

Memory Verse - Hand Out Scriptures to read

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

Knowing Your Enemy

James 1:23–24 (NKJV) *For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man observing his natural face in a mirror; for he observes himself, goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of man he was.*

Someone once said "I see the enemy every day— when I'm shaving."

This is derived from the famous statement of Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry on the "War of 1812": "We have met the enemy and they are ours".

"Friendly Fire" Able, Joseph, Samson, David, Jesus, Paul

Rich Young Ruler

Matthew 19:16–22 (NKJV) *Now behold, one came and said to Him, "Good Teacher, what good thing shall I do that I may have eternal life?"*

17 *So He said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God. But if you want to enter into life, keep the commandments."*

18 *He said to Him, "Which ones?" Jesus said, " 'You shall not murder,' 'You shall not commit adultery,' 'You shall not steal,' 'You shall not bear false witness,' 19 'Honor your father and your mother,' and, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' "* 20 *The young man said to Him, "All these things I have kept from my youth. What do I still lack?"* 21 *Jesus said to him, "If you want to be perfect, go, sell what you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me."* 22 *But when the young man heard that saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.*

Matthew 26:33–35 (NKJV) *Peter answered and said to Him, "Even if all are made to stumble because of You, I will never be made to stumble." Jesus said to him, "Assuredly, I say to you that this night, before the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times." Peter said to Him, "Even if I have to die with You, I will not deny You!" And so said all the disciples.*

***Matthew 26:74–75** (NKJV) *Then he began to curse and swear, saying, "I do not know the Man!" Immediately a rooster crowed. And Peter remembered the word of Jesus who had said to him, "Before the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times." So he went out and wept bitterly.*

Being a Doer

James 1:22 (NKJV) *But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.*

Matt 21:28-32 *"But what do you think? A man had two sons, and he came to the first and said, 'Son, go, work today in my vineyard.' "He answered and said, 'I will not,' but afterward he regretted it and went. "Then he came to the second and said likewise. And he answered and said, 'I go, sir,' but he did not go. "Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said to Him, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Assuredly, I say to you that tax collectors and harlots enter the kingdom of God before you. "For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him; but tax collectors and harlots believed him; and when you saw it, you did not afterward relent and believe him.*

Doing His Will

***Matthew 7:21,22** *"Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven.*

Luke 11:27, 28 (NKJV) *And it happened, as He spoke these things, that a certain woman from the crowd raised her voice and said to Him, "Blessed is the womb that bore You, and the breasts which nursed You!" But He said, "More than that, blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"*

Mat 15:8 *"These people draw near to Me with their mouth, And honor Me with their lips, But their heart is far from Me.*

Mark 3:32-35 *And a multitude was sitting around Him; and they said to Him, "Look, Your mother and Your brothers are outside seeking You." But He answered them, saying, "Who is My mother, or My brothers?" And He looked around in a circle at those who sat about Him, and said, "Here are My mother and My brothers! "For whoever does the will of God is My brother and My sister and mother."*

Mat 7:24-27 *"Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock: "and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did not fall, for it was founded on the rock. "But everyone who hears these sayings of Mine, and does not do them, will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand: "and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it fell. And great was its fall."*

1 Samuel 15:22 (NKJV) *So Samuel said: "Has the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, As in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, And to heed than the fat of rams.*

Rules of Kingdom Life

Luke 6:27–31 (NKJV) *"But I say to you who hear: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸ bless those who curse you, and pray for those who spitefully use you. ²⁹ To him who strikes you on the one cheek, offer the other also. And from him who takes away your cloak, do not withhold your tunic either. ³⁰ Give to everyone who asks of you. And from him who takes away your goods do not ask them back. ³¹ And just as you want men to do to you, you also do to them likewise.*

The Law of Freedom

James 1:25 (NKJV) *But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues in it, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does.*

Psalms 119:44–45 (NKJV) *So shall I keep Your law continually, Forever and ever. ⁴⁵ And I will walk at liberty, For I seek Your precepts.*

Romans 8:2 (NKJV) ² *For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death. "Liberty from sin not to sin"*

***2 Corinthians 3:17** (NKJV) *Now the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.*

Rom 2:13 *(for not the hearers of the law are just in the sight of God, but the doers of the law will be justified;*

***John 8:34-36** *Jesus answered them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, whoever commits sin is a slave of sin. "And a slave does not abide in the house forever, but a son abides forever. "Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed.*

- Never think that Jesus commanded a trifle, nor dare to trifle with anything he has commanded. - Dwight Lyman Moody (1837–1899)
- Obedience is the key that unlocks the door to every profound spiritual experience.
- Obedience is the eye of the spirit. Failure to obey dims and dulls the spiritual understanding. Samuel Dickey Gordon (1859–1936)
- Freedom does not mean I am able to do whatever I want to do. That's the worst kind of bondage. Freedom means I have been set free to become all that God wants me to be, to achieve all that God wants me to achieve, to enjoy all that God wants me to enjoy.- Warren W. Wiersbe

Useful or Useless?

James 1:26–27 (NKJV) *If anyone among you thinks he is religious, and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his own heart, this one's religion is useless. ²⁷ Pure and undefiled religion before God and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their trouble, and to keep oneself unspotted from the world.*

Matthew 25:35–36 (NKJV) ⁵ *for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; ³⁶ I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.'*

Romans 12:9–13 (NKJV) *Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good. ¹⁰ Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another; ¹¹ not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord; ¹² rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer; ¹³ distributing to the needs of the saints, given to hospitality.*

Unlike the World

James 1:27 (NKJV) *... and to keep oneself unspotted from the world.*

1 John 2:15–17 (NKJV) *Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. ¹⁶ For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world. ¹⁷ And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever.*

John 14:15-17 *"If you love Me, keep My commandments. "And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, ... "the Spirit of truth,*