

I. INTRODUCTION (James 1:1)

II. WALK BY FAITH (James 1:2-3:12)

A. The Testing of Faith (James 1:2-18)

B. Faith In God's Word (James 1:19-27)

C. Faith in Christ and Partiality (James 2:1-13)

D. Faith & Works (James 2:14-26)

1. Faith Beneficial Toward Others (James 2:14-20)

a. Let's define some terms:

1) _____ = _____

2) Faith = a belief based upon being _____ that something is true.

3) Works = _____ the will of God by faith and empowered by the _____

4) _____ = to _____ ...from what?

5) _____ = _____ ...from what?

b. This section of Scripture was written to _____. (James 1:1-4, 12, 13-16, 17-18, 20, 21, 22, 2:1, 7, 12, 14)

c. The main question that is under consideration is, what benefit is your faith if it is not put into practice through good works? (James 2:14a)

d. Question #2, is faith enough to continually save the believer? (James 2:14b)

1) Who are we talking about?

2) What does the word save mean in this verse?

3) The anticipated answer to the question is _____. (James 1:21-22)

4) The believer who has faith without works is really _____ - _____ not understanding God's intended _____ of faith.

e. What benefit is your faith when you fail to meet the needs of others? (James 2:15-16)

f. The conclusion then is that faith without works is _____. (James 2:17)

1) God's intent is for the unbeliever to get _____. (Eph. 2:8-9; Titus 3:5; 1 Tim. 2:3-4)

2) Then God wants to USE you in the Christian life as you _____ by faith for good _____. (Eph. 2:10; Titus 3:8)

3) Dead means _____ from something, not _____ - _____.

4) Dead in this context means that faith is separated from God's intended goal which is faith _____ to others by good works.

g. Your faith can only be seen by others when works are _____. (James 2:18)

h. Even the faith of demons results in some practical manifestation in their lives, so the believer _____ display some profitable and demonstrable works in their lives. (James 2:19)

i. Faith without works then is separate from its intended _____ of being _____ to others. (James 2:20; 1:22-27)

- What does this mean to you?

- ✓ Do you have faith in Jesus Christ so that you have been born again?

- ✓ Having been born again, has your faith been beneficial to others, especially to your spiritual family?