

**The Book Of James**  
**Lesson 1: James 1:1-15**

***Facing temptations and trials (vs 1-8)***

1. To whom was this letter written?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. Where are we to find joy and why? What does Jesus teach about this in Matthew 5:11-12?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. Whom did Paul say we should trust in moments of trial? (1 Corinthians 1:6-10)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. What do we become when we successfully overcome the trials of life? (James 1:4)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
5. What should we do if we lack the understanding necessary to overcome?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
6. In what quantity does God respond to requests for wisdom?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
7. What must be our character when asking for wisdom?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
8. What do we become if we have doubts concerning God's ability to respond to our requests?

9. What should a double minded man expect? In what areas is a double minded man unstable?

10. What other man could the double minded man be compared to? (Revelation 3:15-16)

***Challenge of riches (vs. 9-11)***

11. What should the man of low degree do? What must the rich man be sure to do? What eventually happens to everyone?

12. What does Paul tell Timothy concerning riches? (1 Timothy 6:9-11)

***Enduring temptation without blaming God (vs. 12-15)***

13. What do we receive for battling through temptation? How can we be sure of that?

14. What is it that God cannot do?

15. What is at the root of temptation? Describe the pattern that occurs when we begin to give in to temptation?

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**Lesson 2: James 1:16-27**

***Goodness Of God (vs 16-18)***

1. What warning is given in verse 16?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. If we deceive ourselves into thinking sin is good, what will be the result?  
(Galatians 6:7)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. What does God provide for our benefit? Is he consistent? Should we blame God for evil or thank him for the good in my life? (vs. 17)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. Does God have a special purchase for man within creation? If so, how does he bring us to that purpose?

***Quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger (vs. 19-21)***

5. How does the pattern of verse 19 help us avoid angry moments?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
6. What should we be listening to on a daily basis? (Acts 17:11-12)

7. What does James say the wrath of man cannot do?

8. What is the first step in preparing the heart to receive the testimony of God's word? What can that word do? Is it possible to pursue evil and God at the same time? (Luke 16:13)

***Doers Of The Word (vs. 22-25)***

9. What do we do to ourselves when we hear the word without responding to it?

10. What does James say we are "like" when we hear the word without doing it?

11. In what ways can we use the word of God as a mirror?

12. What further description does James make of the word of God in verse 25?

13. Describe areas in which you see the word of God as perfect? What liberty does it provide?

14. What will come to the man who does the will of God?

***Undefiled Religion (vs. 26-27)***

15. What does a man do to himself when he claims to be religious but won't bridle his tongue?

16. Describe pure and undefiled religion? Who was given this responsibility?

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**Lesson 3: James 2:1-13**

***Prejudice (vs 1-7)***

1. Can faith in Jesus and prejudice co-exist in the same person? Who learned this lesson very specifically in Acts 10:34?
  
2. Should anything be done with partiality? (1 Timothy 5:21)
  
3. What distinction among guests at the synagogue was being made? What did that make those who were practicing these distinctions?
  
4. Are we immune from demonstrating prejudice? What man demonstrated prejudice in Galatians 2:11-13?
  
5. What had God chosen the poor to become? Is it right to dishonor those whom God honors?
  
6. What irony did James mention when it came to the exalting of those who were rich? What conduct of the rich is specifically mentioned in verse 7?

***Doing All Of The Will Of The Father (vs. 8-13)***

7. What does James consider the “royal” law? Who first spoke those words? In what passage?

8. What do we become if we become a respecter of persons? Why does one sin make us a transgressor? Are some sins worse than others in terms of the condemnation that comes?

9. Knowing these facts we should conduct ourselves as people who will be what?

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**Lesson 4: James 2:14-26**

***Faith Without Works (vs 14-17)***

1. Does faith have any benefit without works? Can faith without works save?
  
2. What did faith do for Noah? (Hebrews 11:7)
  
3. What illustration does James use in verses 15-16 to show how faith should move us to works?
  
4. What ultimate conclusion is made concerning faith without works? (verse 17)

***Do Faith and Works Complement or Contradict? (vs. 18-26)***

5. How does James say that faith is evidenced? Does that make faith and works complement or contradict?
  
6. What does Matthew 7:20 say about our works (fruits)?



7. Does God desire both our minds and actions to be in harmony with him? What two things will God judge according to Hebrews 4:12 and Romans 2:6?

8. According to verse 19 of James 2, what interesting character has faith only?

9. What kind of man are we if we do not realize that faith without works is dead or barren? (vs. 20)

10. What did Abraham do according to his faith? Did his faith and works complement or contradict?

11. How did Abraham find justification in James 2:23-24?

12. How did Rahab find justification?

13. What is the final conclusion in verse 26?

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**Lesson 5: James Chapter 3**

***Warning To Formal Teachers (vs 1-5)***

1. What initial warning is given in this chapter?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. What do we all do according to verse 2? What is the most common way? If we can control the tongue what else can we control?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. What two illustrations does James use concerning controlling are tongue?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. Though our tongue may be small, what can it do? In what ways can you see this applying to teachers?

***Untamed tongue is full of contradictions (vs. 6-12)***

5. If untamed, what can our speech become? What is defiled because of our untamed speech?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
6. According to verse 8 will it be easy to tame are speech? What can our tongue become full of?

7. What contradiction of the tongue is referenced in verse 9-10? What stern warning is given concerning this problem?

8. What illustrations are used to show that we should not be blessing God on Sunday and cursing man on Monday?

***Wisdom evidenced by conduct (vs. 13-18)***

9. How do we show that we are wise?

10. What things if held in our heart will make us hypocritical?

11. What accompanies jealousy and factions?

12. How is the wisdom of God described?

13. What must we sow?



8. If we are willing to be humbled by our sins what will God do for us?

***Judging and the law giver (vs. 11-12)***

9. Why should we not speak against our brethren?

10. What does God have the right to do as the one lawgiver?

11. What do the following passages teach us concerning judging others?  
(Matthew 7:1-5; John 7:24; Acts 13:46)

***The Lord's will (vs. 13-17)***

12. What caution is given to those who are making future plans?

13. What does James compare our lives to?

14. What should we always remember to say concerning our future plans?

15. What great lesson is shared at the end of the chapter?

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**Lesson 7: James Chapter 5**

***Complications of riches (vs 1-6)***

1. What are rich men told to do? Why?
  
  
  
  
  
2. What do verses 4-6 seem to imply about the rich man who is under scrutiny in this passage?

***Patience (vs 7-11)***

3. For how long does James encourage us to be patient? What earthly illustration does he use?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. What kind of timing does James place on the return of Jesus?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
5. What does verse 9 warn us against? Why?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
6. What two historical examples of patience is offered to encourage us?

## ***Oaths (vs. 12)***

7. What should we do rather than swearing and making oaths?

## ***Value of prayer (vs. 13-18)***

8. What should we do if we are afflicted? What about when we are merry?

9. What are the sick to do?

10. What are the elders to do?

11. What does 2 Corinthians 12:7-9 and 1 John 5:14 teach us concerning prayer?

12. What kind of sickness is under discussion in verses 15-16? What are we to do concerning this sickness?

13. What kind of prayer is described as “availing much”?

14. What example is given concerning the power of prayer?

***Conversion (vs. 19-20)***

15. What should we do for those who err from the truth?

16. What happens when a sinner is converted from their sins?