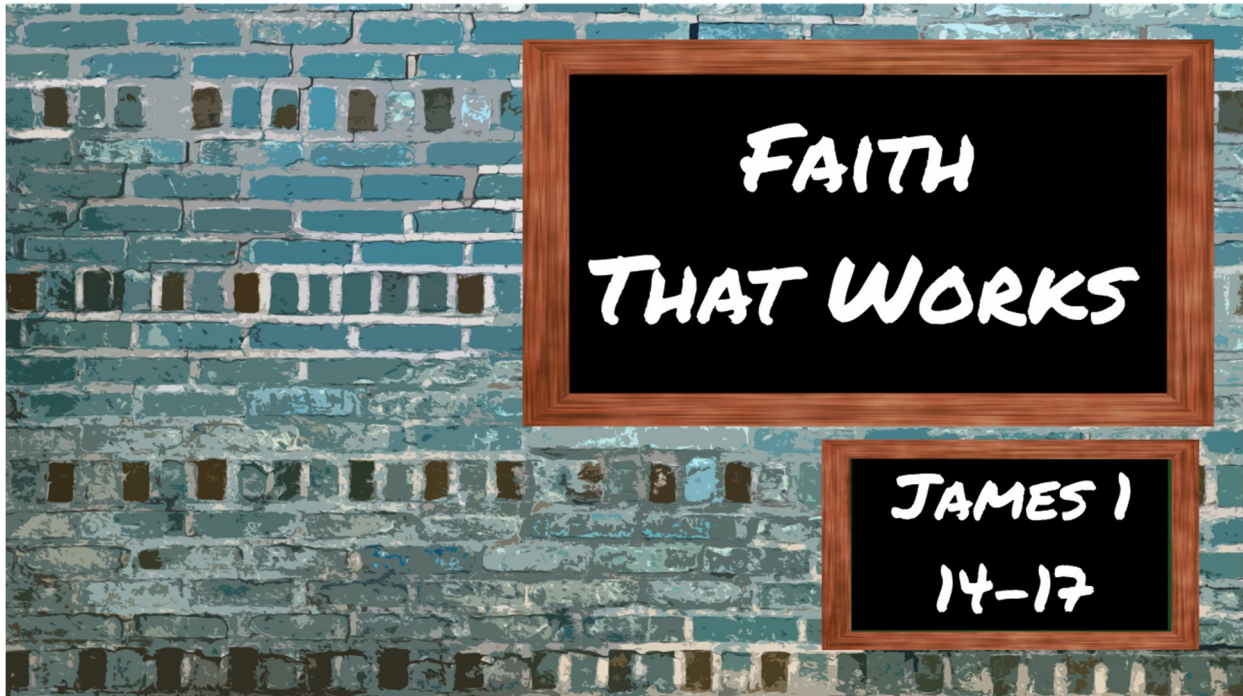




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When He looked out over the crowds, His heart broke. So confused and aimless they were, like sheep with no shepherd.

Matthew 9:36 - The Message Bible



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WORKBOOK 3 – “FAITH THAT WORKS”

Based on James 2:14–17

STEP 12 STATEMENT

“Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to others and to practice these principles in all our affairs.”

KEY SCRIPTURES

- **James 2:17** — “Faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.”
- **James 2:15–16** — “If a brother or sister is naked and destitute... and you do not give them the things needed...”
- **Matthew 7:20** — “By their fruits you will know them.”
- **Galatians 5:6** — “The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love.”
- **1 John 3:17** — “If anyone has the world’s goods and sees his brother in need... how does God’s love abide in him?”
- **Ephesians 2:10** — “We are His workmanship... created for good works...”
- **Titus 3:8** — “Those who believe in God should be careful to devote themselves to good works.”

THE HEART OF FAITH THAT WORKS

James teaches that real faith always becomes action.

Step 12 teaches that real awakening always becomes service.

Faith that never moves is not faith — it is sentiment.

Recovery that never becomes service is fragile.

True spiritual life moves:

- from belief to action
- from healing to service

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- from awakening to mission

Service is not something we add to recovery.

It is the **overflow** of recovery.

REFLECTION:

1. Where has God healed me in ways that could help someone else?

2. What part of my faith has stayed “in my head” instead of becoming action?

3. Who in my life needs my presence more than my advice?

1. Faith Without Works Is Dead

Scripture: *James 2:14-17*

James is not attacking faith — he is protecting it.
He is saying that faith which never becomes action is not alive.

Faith becomes visible through:

- compassion
- service
- presence
- generosity
- obedience

Key Idea: Faith becomes alive when it becomes action.

Reflection:

1. Where is my faith calling me to move, not just believe?

2. What excuses keep me from acting on what I know is right?

3. How does serving others strengthen my own faith?

2. Service Is the Overflow of Healing

Scripture: *Galatians 5:6; Matthew 7:20*

We don't serve to earn God's love — we serve because we have experienced it.

Service is gratitude in motion.

It is the natural response of a healed heart.

Key Idea: Service is not a requirement — it is a response.

Reflection:

- 1. How has God's healing shaped my desire to help others?

- 2. What fruit is God growing in my life right now?

- 3. How can I express my faith through love this week?

3. Faith That Works Is Practical, Not Theoretical

Scripture: 1 John 3:17; James 2:15–16

James gives a simple example:

If someone is hungry and we say, “Be warmed and filled,” but do nothing — what good is that?

Faith that works is:

- practical
- tangible
- compassionate
- present

Key Idea: People don’t need my theories — they need my presence.

Reflection:

1. Who in my life needs practical help right now?

2. What simple act of service could bless someone today?

3. How can I be more present to the needs around me?

4. Faith That Works Is God Working Through Us

Scripture: *Ephesians 2:10; Titus 3:8*

We are God’s workmanship — created for good works.

Service is not something we manufacture.

It is something God expresses through us.

Key Idea:

God uses my story, my healing, and my willingness to bless others.

Reflection (3 Questions):

1. Where do I sense God nudging me toward service?

2. What part of my story could bring hope to someone else?

3. How can I make myself available for God to work through me?

GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What does “faith without works is dead” mean to you personally?

2. How has someone else’s service impacted your recovery?

3. Why is service essential to long-term sobriety?

4. What fears do you have about serving others?

5. How can we encourage each other to put faith into action?

PRACTICAL NEXT STEPS

1. Reach out to someone who is struggling.
2. Offer practical help to someone in need.
3. Share your story with someone who needs hope.
4. Pray for God to show you one act of service each day.
5. Look for opportunities to turn belief into action.

CLOSING PRAYER

Lord,
thank You for the faith You have planted in my heart.
Now teach me to live it out.

Help me turn belief into action,
healing into service,
and awakening into mission.

Use my story, my compassion, and my willingness
to bless those who are hurting.

In Jesus Name,
Amen.