

**NIV MEMORY VERSE: James 1:27**

Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.

**General & Personal Letters 24-1**

**"CHRISTIAN COMMITMENT"**

**READ James 1:1-2:26**

**DAY 1 READ James 1:1-2:26**

1. What was a helpful or new thought from last week's lesson?
  
2. From today's reading, choose three instructions for Christian behavior and write them below.
  - a.
  - b.
  - c.

**DAY 2 REVIEW James 1:1-18**

3. a. James wrote to whom?
  - b. What was their situation?
  - c. When you read the words "joy" and "trials" in the same sentence (vs.2), what thought comes to your mind?
  
4. How do you think perseverance contributes to spiritual maturity?
  
5. a. What is the promise in verse 5?
  - b. . . . the stipulation that goes with the promise?
  
6. Life's circumstances may change, but steadfast faith will bring what reward in verse 12?
  
7. Fill in: "God cannot be \_\_\_\_\_ nor \_\_\_\_\_."
  - a. What then is the cause of temptation?
  - b. To what does it lead?
  - c. What is its result?

**DAY 2 (Continued) REVIEW James 1:1-18**

8. Believers can experience both trials and temptations. What would you say is the difference between them?
9. How could verses 16-18 help Christians be joyful in the midst of trials?

**DAY 3 REVIEW James 1:19-27**

10. What admonition did James give the brethren?
11. a. Anger does not bring forth what?  
b. What have you found that it does bring forth?
12. James gave two commands concerning the Word. What were they?
13. Listening to the Word and not doing it is like what?
14. True or False . . .  
This week I was quick to hear . . . T F  
slow to speak . . . T F  
slow to anger . . . T F  
a hearer of the Word . . . T F  
a doer of the Word . . . T F  
Take a minute to thank God for answers of True.  
Take two minutes and pray about every answer of False.
15. a. What is an example of vain/worthless religion in verse 26?  
b. What are examples of pure religion in verse 27?

**DAY 4 REVIEW James 2:1-13**

16. a. What are believers told not to do?  
b. What are some evidences of discrimination we see today in both the church and in society?
17. a. What is the "royal law?"  
b. Murder, adultery, showing favoritism are all sins. What did James write in 2:10?

**DAY 4 (Continued) REVIEW James 2:1-13**

18. What is the point of verses 12-13?
  
19. Write these verses about love and mercy.
  - a. John 13:35
  
  - b. Luke 6:36

**DAY 5 REVIEW James 2:14-26**

20. a. What example of dead faith did James give?
  - b. Live faith is accompanied by what?
21. What do we learn about demons?
22. a. What did Abraham do to demonstrate his faith?
  - b. What did Rahab do?
  - c. Share how you've seen someone's faith demonstrated in action.
23. James compared faith without works to what?
24. a. Many have contended that James and Paul are in conflict over the relationship of faith and works. James said in 2:24 . . .
  - b. Paul said in Romans 3:28 . . .

Paul was laying down a principle of salvation, James the working out of that principle in life. We are not saved by deeds, we are saved for deeds. Write Ephesians 2:10.

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**LECTURE NOTES:**

**PRAYER REQUESTS:**

**Hebrews 12:1 "Therefore since we are surrounded by such a cloud of witnesses . . ."**  
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