

11. To obey is better than sacrifice. We could say that "...to obey is better than..." what?
12. Who was a master at using familiar stories to make and illustrate a point?
13. The first son in the story in Matthew 21 responded in what way at first?
14. The second son in the story in Matthew 21 had a major inconsistency between what?
15. Jesus was saying the people hearing the story were which son?
16. James is very concerned that we not deceive ourselves into believing that it is sufficient to merely do what?
17. We have to be both hearers of the word and what?
18. When it comes to hearing the Word of God, are you like a person who looks at his natural face in a mirror and then walks away forgetting what he looks like?
19. What kind of person will be blessed?
20. Many religions of the world are simply or exclusively composed of what?
21. Christianity, by contrast, is about what?
22. Our words are often a very accurate reflection of what?
23. What's in the heart comes out where?
24. What are a couple of "excuses" we make in relation to our speech?
25. If we think we are being who we ought to be as worshipers but we do not have self-control with our tongues, we are deceiving ourselves about what?
26. What word used by James is synonymous with worship?
27. A doer of the word is someone who ministers to whom?
28. When James refers to orphans and widows he is referring to people who are in need because of what?
29. The word "visit" implies taking action and doing what?
30. Whenever the biblical writers use the term "world" in the way it's used in verse 27, they are not referring to what?
31. The use of the word "world" (as in verse 27) is referring to what?
32. Have you become spotted or stained or polluted by the world system and its kind of thinking?
33. Is your spending of money, spending of time, and choices of entertainment different from the world system?
34. How do you match up with the three marks of being a doer of the word?
 - a. Self-control with your words
 - b. Caring for people who are truly in need
 - c. Keeping yourself unstained by the world.
35. What is unique about the use of the word "religion" in James 1?
36. Do you have a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ?

God did not give you His Word to make you a smarter sinner. He gave you His Word to make you more like His Son. Apply what you learn!

Remember: Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; I Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- »»How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?
- »»How can I accomplish this change?
- »»What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

For Next Time:

- 1) What are the different views that are out there regarding what the church is for?**
- 2) How important is it that everyone leave each church service happy?**
- 3) What are real needs that people have and what are felt needs?**
- 4) How important is unity in the church? To what extent should believers go to have unity?**
- 5) It has been said that in any church, 20% of the people do 80% of the work. Is that true and if so, why do you believe that this is so?**

If you were arrested for being a Christian, would there be enough evidence to convict you?

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FAITH IN SHOE-LEATHER

James 1:26-27

(Series #9)

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon "**Faith In Shoe-leather.**" All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. What speaks louder than words?
2. It is easier to claim to love the Lord than it is to do what?
3. Do you claim to love the Lord? Are your claims reflected in things like your business dealings, or your neighborhood, or sports competition, or actions/words at work, or with family members, or when away from the church?
4. The genuine measure of your Christianity isn't summed up in your church attendance on Sunday; it's also reflected in what?
5. What was Saul suppose to do with all the Amalekites and their possessions?
6. When Saul was confronted about his actions, he claimed that he had been what?
7. We shouldn't be surprised in what we read in I Samuel 15:13 because of what?
8. What did Saul NOT see in his life?
9. Saul basically said that though everything wasn't destroyed, as the LORD commanded, it could be used for what?
10. Saul didn't see his inconsistencies and continued down his same path of what?

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