

PUTTING FEET TO FAITH

Part 1: “*A Practical Faith—Hearing and Doing!*” James 1:19–27
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James 2:17–18

“In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead. But someone will say, ‘You have faith; I have deeds.’ Show me your faith without deeds, and I will show you my faith by my deeds.”

1. Hearing the Word of truth

James 1:19–21

My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires. Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you.

- Proverbs 15:1 view versus James 3:1 view
- How we _____ the Word of God impacts our _____ to it
- Don't judge the Word, _____.
- To benefit from the Word of God, we must _____ and approach it with the proper attitude.
- Let the Word take _____ through daily disciplines.

2. Doing the Word of truth

James 1:22–25

Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do.

- Hearing _____ is _____.
- The pioneer Christians had the tendency to forget what they _____ . We have the tendency to forget what we _____ .
- The Word is our _____ .
- Looking into it _____ and _____ _____ brings blessing.

Matthew 7:24–27

“Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash.”

3. Characteristics of the Person whose Religion is pure and faultless

²⁶ Those who consider themselves religious and yet do not keep a tight rein on their tongues deceive themselves, and their religion is worthless.

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.

- He refuses self deception and controls his words (_____).
- She shows mercy and love to the oppressed (_____).
- He strives to avoid sin and its detrimental effects (_____).

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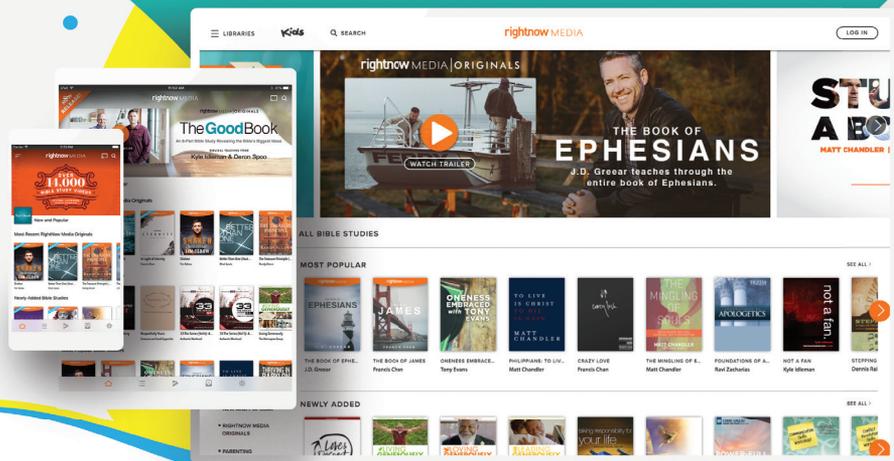
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