



A Study of the book of James *Is your faith visible?*

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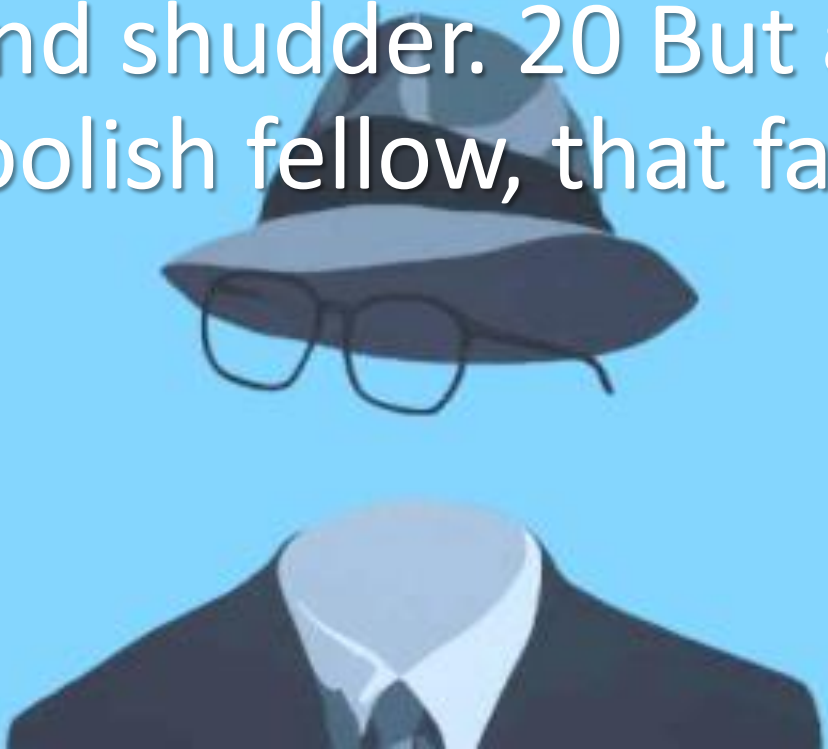
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Is your faith visible?

Test your faith
Hold your faith
Show your faith

James 2

18 But someone may well say, “You have faith and I have works; show me your faith without the works, and I will show you my faith by my works.” 19 You believe that God is one. You do well; the demons also believe, and shudder. 20 But are you willing to recognize, you foolish fellow, that faith without works is useless?



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Is your faith made visible through your actions?

Is my faith actually visible in the way that I love people in need?

Is my faith actually visible in the words that I use?

When I read scripture, do I believe it to the point of total obedience?

Is my faith in God enough so that I do not need the world's things?

Is my faith to the point where I daily place my life in God's hands?

James 1

18 In the exercise of His will He brought us forth by the word of truth, so that we would be a kind of first fruits among His creatures.



Ephesians 2: 6 And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, 7 in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus.

8 For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— 9 not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.

10 For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.

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Is Christ being seen through my actions?

Is God's will being done on earth so important to me that I cannot shrug off a single thing he wants me to do?

James 2

1 My brethren, do not hold your faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ with an attitude of personal favoritism.



Hebrews 4

For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it pierces even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow. It is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.



Does your faith truly affect your thoughts and attitudes of the heart?

Does scripture cause me to feel exposed?

Does scripture ever reveal a wrong thought or motive?

Does my faith in God ever humble me?

Does my faith spur an enthusiastic and zealous prayer life?

Do I really believe that my own evil desires are responsible for (nearly all) of the fighting and stress in my life?

James 1

2 Consider it all joy, my brethren, when you encounter various trials, 3 knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance. 4 And let endurance have its perfect result, so that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.



John 15

1 “I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. 2 He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful.



Is your faith strengthened by the trials in your life?

Does your faith enable you to “be still” in the midst of trials?

Do you by faith know that your spiritual growth is more important than your physical comfort?

Do you by faith desire that God be glorified through your life at whatever the cost may be to you?

Do you by faith desire to please God by obeying Him?

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