

## **JAMES 1.19-27**

### ***Quit Kidding Yourself***

***You've been given \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_...use accordingly***

James doesn't give suggestions, he speaks in commands

It is a mark of maturity when a man faces himself \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ himself, and \_\_\_\_\_ his needs.

James speaks three imperatives into life so that we will step into maturity and stop kidding ourselves about where we are in our walk with Christ.

Read James 1.19-21

The first imperative is to \_\_\_\_\_.

James calls the God's word the implanted word, or the engrafted word. God compares the word as a seed.

The condition of our heart to receive the word is either hard, shallow, crowded, or fruitful. - Matthew 13.1-9, 18-23

A test of our salvation is the fruit our lives have produced. This means a changed life, Christian character and conduct, and ministry to others in the love of God.

Possible Fruit In Our Life

- Sharing the gospel
- Growing in \_\_\_\_\_
- Generosity
- Spiritual Character

- Good Works
- Worship

If the seed of the Word is to be planted in our hearts, then we must obey what it means to hear word.

First, we must be swift to \_\_\_\_\_.

Second, we must be \_\_\_\_\_.

Third, we must be \_\_\_\_\_.

Forth, we must have a \_\_\_\_\_.

We must not settle under a false sense of complacency, thinking we are content, but in everything press on the what God has for us.

## ROUND ONE QUESTIONS

Read James 1.22-25

The first imperative is to \_\_\_\_\_.

It is not in the hearing, but in the doing, that brings the blessings.

Don't be someone who marks their bible, but never allow yourself to be marked by the scriptures.

James now compares the word to a mirror, which has three applications throughout scripture.

The first application of the mirror as the Word of God is through \_\_\_\_\_.

The second application of the mirror as the Word of God is through \_\_\_\_\_.

The third application of the mirror as the Word of God is \_\_\_\_\_.

## ROUND TWO QUESTIONS

Read James 1.26-27

Our first imperative is to receive the Word. Then, we must practice the Word; otherwise we are deceiving ourselves. Then our final imperative is that we must \_\_\_\_\_.

The word translated “religion” means “the outward practice.”

Pure religion means practicing God’s word, to move towards maturity in Christ, by sharing it with others through \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.

Speech is a key theme in James.

James understands that it is through the speech that the heart is revealed.

We find that our service is a way in which we show that the scriptures have marked our lives.

\_\_\_\_\_ are no substitute for deeds of love.

The best way to love and serve the world is to be mature in Christ not defiled by the world.

We are called to put our faith into action by resisting the temptations of this world and helping the vulnerable in our midst.

We don’t have a \_\_\_\_\_ as christians, but we also weren’t bought with a \_\_\_\_\_.

## ROUND THREE QUESTIONS