

FAITH THAT WORKS: Attitudes and Actions that Change Lives

Being Changed by Gods Word

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Reflect:

James opened his letter by sharing how we can have joy in our trials and wisdom for all of life's circumstances. Reminding the reader of our generous God who gives good gifts and who never changes. Trials expose our most raw and vulnerable places. Our natural emotions become exaggerated and, in this place, we can learn to acknowledge our emotions, embrace them and move through them in faith as we apply God's Word to our lives.

LISTEN TO GOD

- Read and review James 1:19-20 and Exodus 34:6
- Take some time to discuss this as a group, why is it important that we acknowledge our true emotions? Why is it so important that we pay attention to what is going on inside of us?

RECEIVE THE WORD

- Read 1 Thessalonians 2:13 and Colossians 3:16
- What do these passages encourage us to do? What action do we need to take as we seek to walk in faith?
- Pastor Darrin shared how so often we need to "slow to speak" to ourselves. Our voice is the one we hear the most. What does your self-talk like? Do you speak God's truth over your life, or do you listen to an endless loop of negative self-talk?

APPLY THE WORD

- Read James 1:22-27
- How can we posture ourselves to receive the Word with meekness?
- Discuss how the Word of God is a mirror to and for our souls.
- We don't look in a physical mirror and see something amiss, we deal with it specifically. How much more important is it that we allow God's Word to examine our souls and set us free. Share how applying God's Word specifically has brought freedom in your life?

RESPOND

God's Word is flawless, every word proves true. Turning to and applying God's word specifically will bring about freedom in our lives. Pray and ask God to give you the humility to listen, the meekness to receive and the courage to apply what he shows you in his Word.