



1. I must take the **WHOLE** bible into account as we live out our **WHOLE** lives, not just the parts that we **KNOW** or **LIKE**. (2 Timothy 3:16-17, Romans 6:15-23, 13:12-14, 15:4, 2 Peter 1:20-21, Hebrews 4:12, Colossians 3:16)
2. I must be **QUICK** to **LISTEN**, **SLOW** to **SPEAK**, and **SLOW** to become **ANGRY**. (Proverbs 10:19, 11:12, Ephesians 4:26-27, Ecclesiastes 5:1-3, Matthew 5:21-26)
3. My **ANGER** can **UNDERCUT** my **WITNESS** for Christ. (Ephesians 4, Romans 12:3-21, Colossians 3:8, Galatians 5:13-15)
4. I must be a **DOER** of the Word, not only a **HEARER**, **DECEIVING** myself. (Matthew 7:21-27, 13:1-23, Deuteronomy 30:14, Romans 2:13)
5. God promises **BLESSING** to those who **LISTEN** and **ACT** upon His Word. (Matthew 11:25-30, Isaiah 61:10, 2 Corinthians 3:12-16, Luke 10:21-24)
6. Our **ACTIONS** are **WORTHLESS** if we **DECEIVE** our hearts. (1 John 3:16-18, 1 Corinthians 10:23-32)



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1. Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?
2. James cautions us several times in verse 22 and 26 to not deceive ourselves. How can we know if we are deceiving ourselves?
3. Read James 2:14-26. Verse 17 says, "So also faith by itself, if it does not have works is dead." What does James mean by this? Talk about the similarities of hearing and being doers of the Word and having faith and doing works.
4. In what ways can you be Quick to listen? Slow to speak? Slow to anger? In what ways can anger undercut your witness for Christ?
5. We talked about the momentous shift that occurs between James 1:21-22: Not only being hears only of the Word, but doers of the Word. The choice that we all have in our daily life to take what we see in the mirror (the Word) and walk it out instead of forgetting it. What are some practical ways you can stare intently into the mirror (the Word)? What are some practical ways you can remember when you walk away from the mirror (the Word)? What are some practical ways you can DO the Word?
6. James says religion is WORTHLESS if we deceive our hearts. What some deceptive pitfalls we can fall into that makes our actions worthless? Instead where can we act and serve those in need? (Be specific)