

SOMETHING'S MISSING | WEEK 3

Date: October 23th, 2022

Verses: James 1:18-25



SERIES INSIGHT

There's a gap between invisible faith and visible faith, conviction and commitment, how we walk and how we talk, our doctrine and duty - the list goes on. Simply put, it's not enough to be hearers of the word, but to do something what it says (James 1:22-25), because faith without action is dead (James 2:17). **Something's Missing**, but the opportunity of faith calls us into a real living faith with Jesus not only as Savior, but Lord!

ICEBREAKER

- You have to choose to live by the beach or the mountains for the rest of your life, where would you live?
- If you would wake up with the ability to speak another language, which would you choose?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. **Review the Message.** Looking back at your notes and upon reflecting on this weekend's message, what was your one takeaway from Sunday?
2. The context is continuing from last week. Trials, Tests, Temptations, Struggles, and the need for Wisdom. Did you experience some trials this week? Share with one another.
3. James calls out a "gap" that is very common in the Church today. Do we merely "read" the Bible, or do we "do what it says"?
4. How effective has your engagement in the Bible been in your life, and even today?
5. Read James 1:19-20. What's your "go to" response in difficult times/situations? Being quick to listen, means going to The Lord first. What does that look like?
6. Read James 1:22-24 & Matthew 7:24-27. Share a time when you "listened & put it to practice"
7. Read James 1:25. We are called to look intently into God's word, not just a quick glance. Come together as a group, and decide on some scriptures you are going to read daily over the next week, or even for the rest of 2022.
8. Encourage one another to use the **S.O.A.P.** method and journal 5 days a week in this season. Get a notebook and utilize an outline like this each day:
 - **Start:** Ask the Lord to fill you and reveal his Word to you today.
 - **S: Scripture** - Write the reference down that you read.
 - **O: Observation** - Make notes of what you "see" in the reflection of Scripture.
 - **A: Application** - Note what you can do to apply/put the scriptures into action.
 - **P: Practice** - Do what it says. Be intentional. Write down your next best step.
 - **End:** Ask the Lord to supply wisdom and faith to "do what He has said" today.

PRAYER

- Allow people to share requests and celebrate any praise reports as well. Consider having someone write down the requests to share with the group. Take time to pray however long your group needs.



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