BUILDING MY LIFE ON THE BIBLE

40 DAYS in the WORD – Part 2 Pastor Brian

GETTING A GOOD WORKOUT WITH THE WORD JAMES 1:19-25

1. ______ it with my ears.

"Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ." (Romans 10:17, NIV)

"My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires. Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you." (James 1:19–21, NIV)

For "Good Reception" I need to be:

- "Be quick to listen, slow to speak"
- "and slow to become angry"
- "get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent"

"humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you."

2. _____ it with my eyes.

"Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves..." (James 1:22a, NIV)

"Blessed is the one who reads the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear it and take to heart what is written in it, because the time is near." (Revelation 1:3, NIV84)

Levels of Reading

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3. _____ it with my hands and mouth.

"But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do." (James 1:25, NIV)

"Study and be eager and do your utmost to present yourself to God approved...correctly analyzing and accurately dividing [rightly handling and skillfully teaching] the Word of Truth." (2 Timothy 2:15, ANT)

Bible "STUDY" requires:

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"You search the Scriptures because you think they give you eternal life. But the Scriptures point to me!" (John 5:39, NLT)

"And the people of Berea were more open-minded than those in Thessalonica, and they listened eagerly to Paul's message. They searched the Scriptures day after day to see if Paul and Silas were teaching the truth." (Acts 17:11, NLT)

4. ______ with my life.

"Do what God's teaching says; when you only listen and do nothing, you are fooling yourselves." (James 1:22, NCV)

"Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash." (Matthew 7:24–27, NIV)

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