

JAMES 1:19-25

Exhortations to Obey for Your Spiritual Progress, Part II

Focus: Spiritual progress in general, and spiritual progress in trials specifically

It answers the question, 'How can one grow in relation to the new birth?' James 1:18

Goal: Three Exhortations from James 1:19-25 to obey and receive God's Blessing

I. Remove Commons Sins (vv.19-20)

1. Listening Deficiency
2. Premature Response
3. Persistent Anger

II. Receive God's Word Immediately (v.21)

What does that involve?

1. Remove the Sins
2. Receive God's Word

III. _____ (vv.22-25)

Who has ears to hear? 1 Corinthians 2:14-16

James exhorts based on the fulfillment of a heart of flesh: Ezekiel 11:19-20; 36:26-27; Jeremiah 31:33-34

Practical Steps for Spiritual Progress:

1. Study beyond your daily Bible reading schedule (2 Timothy 2:15)
2. Seek God's grace in prayer and depend on His Holy Spirit (Proverbs 2:1-9; Psalm 119:34; Ezra 7:6-10)
3. Labor to know and grow in Christ (1 Timothy 4:1-16; Philippians 3:1-14)