

James: Faith Acts

James 2:14-19

Main Idea: Faith in our hearts is evident by the fruit of our lives.

I. THREE MAIN TRUTHS:

1. Faith in our _____ is evident by the _____ of our lives (2:14)

- a) Paul's doctrine of justification by faith alone (Ephesians 2:8-10)
- b) Assurance of Salvation vs. Eternal Security:
 - i) Eternal security - Can a true Christian lose their salvation?
 - ii) Assurance of salvation - How can one know if they are a true Christian?

2. People who fail to help poverty-stricken fellow believers are not _____ (2:15-17).

- a) Acts of mercy are not a _____ to salvation.
- b) Acts of mercy are a necessary _____ of salvation.
 - (1) Jesus separates the sheep and the goats - Matthew 25:34-46

3. Deed-less faith is _____ faith (2:18)

- a) see James 2:20

II. THREE KEY CONCLUSIONS (2:19)

1. Faith is not merely an _____ assent.

- a) Shema - Deut. 6:4

2. Faith is not simply an _____ response.

3. Faith involves _____ obedience.

ANSWER KEY**I. THREE MAIN TRUTHS:**

1. hearts ... fruit
2. saved
 - A. means
 - B. evidence
3. useless

II. THREE KEY CONCLUSIONS:

4. intellectual
5. emotional
6. willful