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Legacy: Doing God's Will (Do You Love Me?)

James 1:5, 21-25

Breakdown of the Book of James

Chapter 1 - Hardships of the Faith & Obedience

Chapter 2 – Favoritism

Chapter 3 – Taming Our Tongues

Chapter 4 – Humility

Chapter 5 – Riches, Prayer, Confession, Healing

Wisdom:

how we apply knowledge to our everyday life situations.

1. Doing 'God's Will' requires HUMILITY in you and can provide SALVATION for you.

*"So get rid of all the filth and evil in your lives, and **humbly accept the word God has planted in your hearts, for it has the power to save your souls.**" James 1:21 (NLT)*

"Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." 2 Timothy 2:15 (KJV)

2. Doing 'God's Will' requires OBEDIENCE/ACTION from you.

*"But **don't just listen** to God's word. **You must do what it says.** Otherwise, you are only fooling yourselves." James 1:22(NLT)*

3. Doing 'God's Will' requires INTENTIONALITY from you and can provide BLESSINGS for you.

*"...**accept** the word God has planted in your hearts..." James 1:21b (NLT)*

*"For if you **listen** to the word and don't obey, it is like glancing at your face in a mirror." James 1:23 (NLT)*

"You see yourself, walk away, and forget what you look like." James 1:24 (NLT)

*"But if you **look carefully into** the perfect law that sets you free, and if you do what it says and don't forget what you heard, **then** God will **bless you** for doing it." James 1:25 (NLT)*

Do You Love Me?

*“Jesus replied,
‘You must love the Lord your God with all your heart,
all your soul, and all your mind.’
Matthew 22:37 (NLT)*

- **How do we love God with all our heart, soul and mind?**

[Jesus] “If you love Me, obey My commandments.” John 14:15 (NLT)

“If someone claims, ‘I know God,’ but doesn’t obey God’s commandments, that person is a liar and is not living in the truth.” 1 John 2:4 (NLT)

- **What do I need to do to learn the laws of God?**

“I take joy in doing Your will, my God, for Your instructions are written on my heart.” Psalm 40:8 (NLT)

“I have hidden Your word in my heart that I might not sin against You. Praise be to You, LORD; teach me Your decrees.” Psalm 119:11-12 (NLT/NIV)

“Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.” 2 Timothy 2:15 (NKJV)