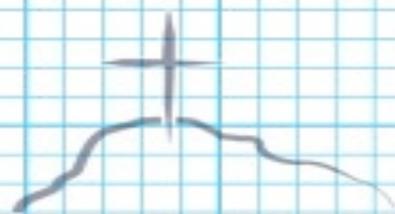


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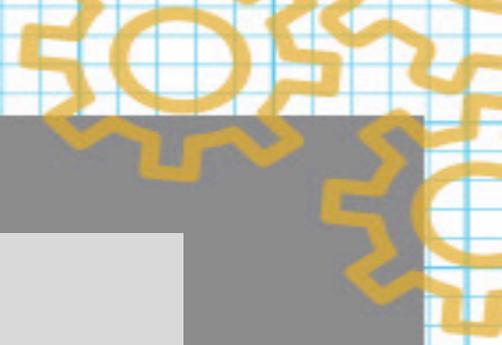
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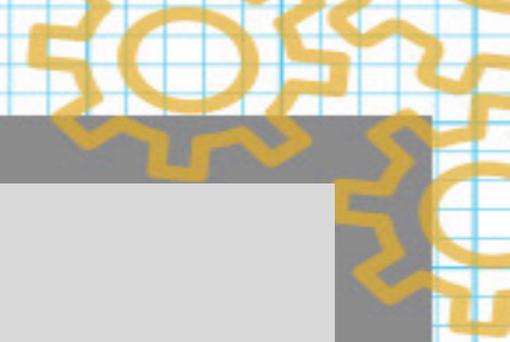
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One hand clapping

James 2:14-26

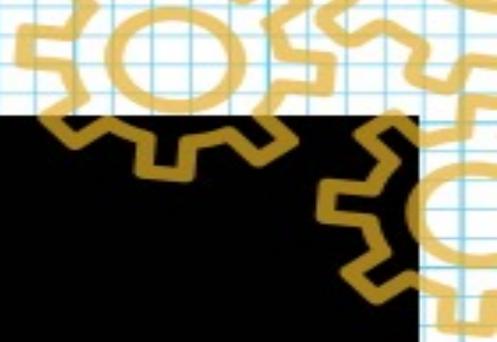


“Faith and works are bound up in the same bundle. He that obeys God trusts God; and he that trusts God obeys God. He that is without faith is without works; and he that is without works is without faith.”

C.H. Spurgeon

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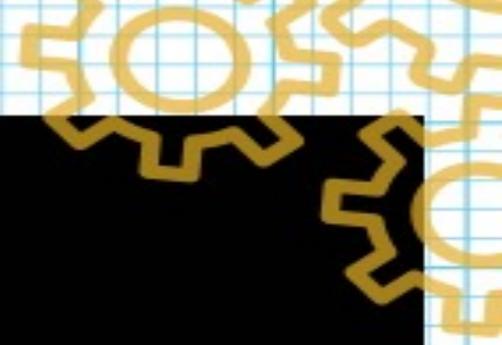
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14 What use is it, my brothers and sisters,
if someone says he has faith, but he has no
works? Can that faith save him?

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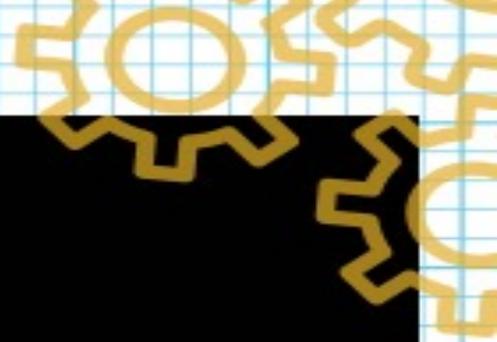
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15 If a brother or sister is without clothing
and in need of daily food,

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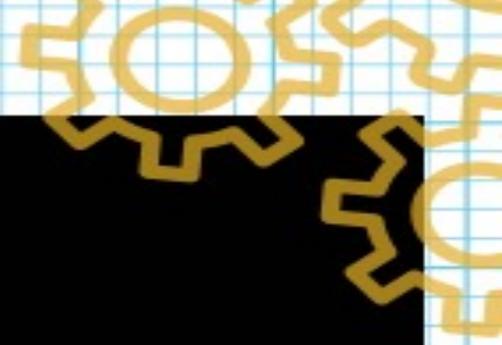
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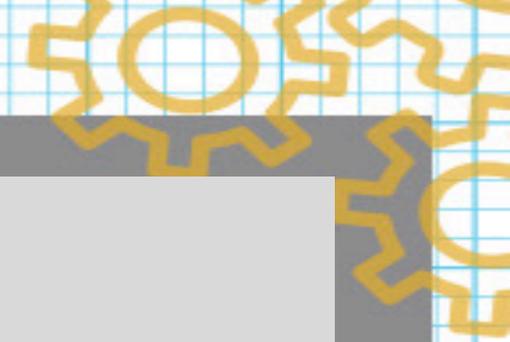
16 and one of you says to them, “Go in peace, be warmed and be filled,” yet you do not give them what is necessary for their body, what use is that?

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17 In the same way, faith also, if it has no works, is dead, being by itself.



Dead Faith 14-17

- Does real faith do?
- Words without works – worthless
- Faith will have effort!
- Looking and loving will be doing

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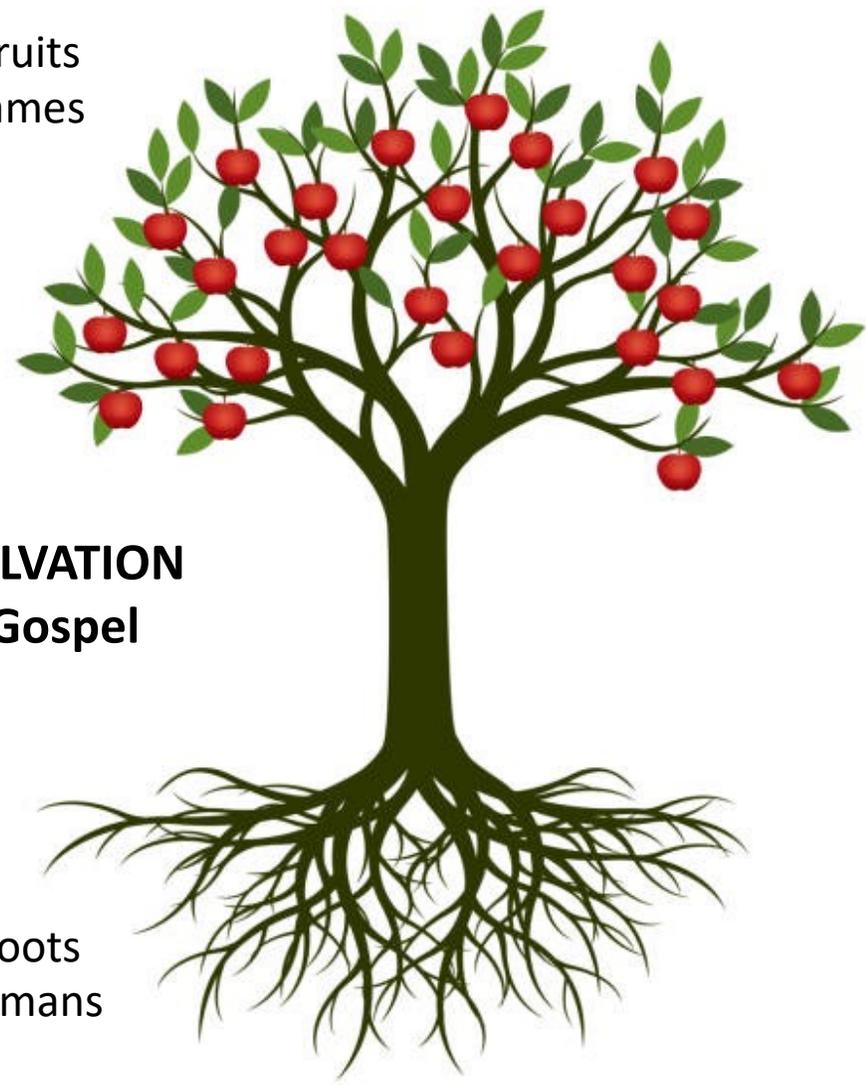
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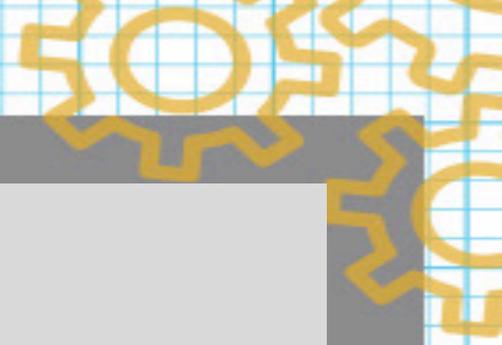
Paul is looking at the root of salvation (faith apart from works); James is looking at the fruit of salvation (Works that flow from true faith after salvation by faith alone).

Fruits
James

SALVATION
Gospel

Roots
Romans



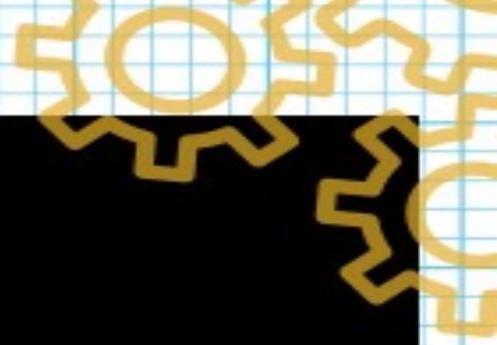


“The issue of faith is not so much whether we believe in God, but whether we believe the God we believe in.”

R. C. Sproul

JAMES

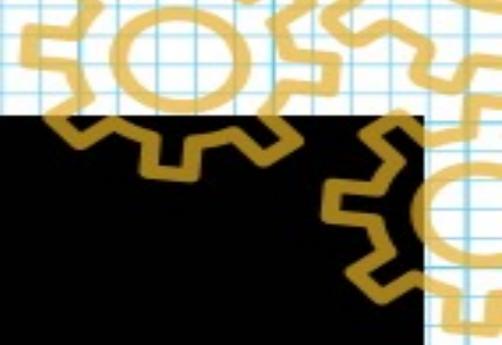
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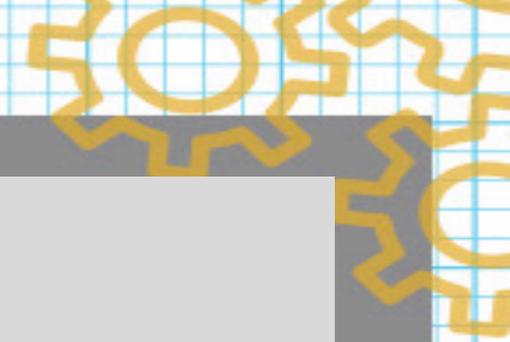
18 But someone may well say, “You have faith and I have works; show me your faith without the works, and I will show you my faith by my works.”

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19 You believe that God is one. You do well; the demons also believe, and shudder.

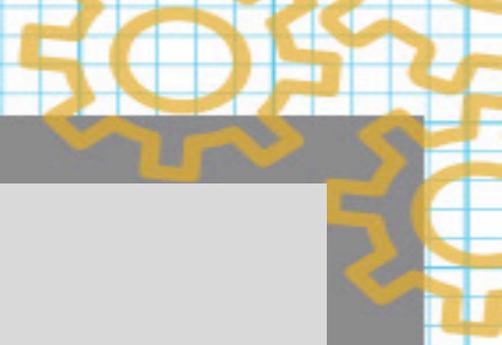


Deeds of Faith 18,19

- Works alone are religious acts
- Faith alone is lifeless creeds
- Faith with Works is Eph 2:8-10
 - Grace alone by faith alone in Christ alone >
 - Created in Christ for good works!

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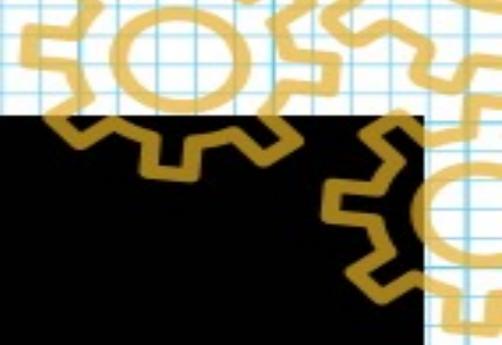
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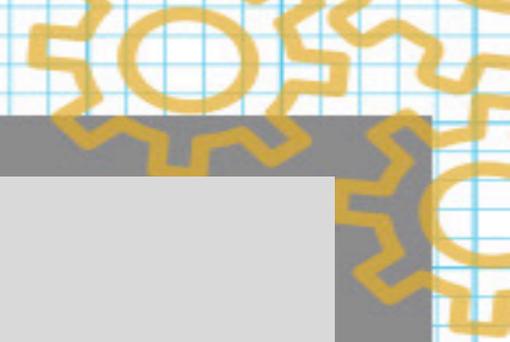
***“Because real faith is
demonstrated by real action!”***

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20 But are you willing to acknowledge,
you foolish person, that faith without works
is useless?

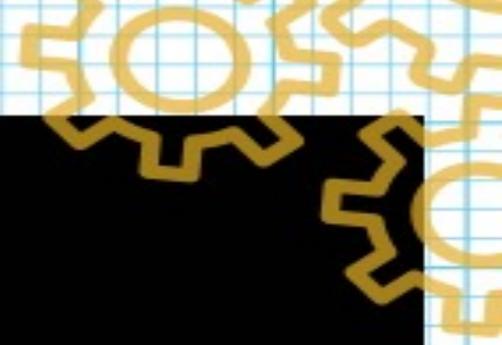


Devotion of Faith 20

- Living things have signs
- Consume, move, reproduce, grow, respond
- ‘faith without works is “workless”’ - ἀργή

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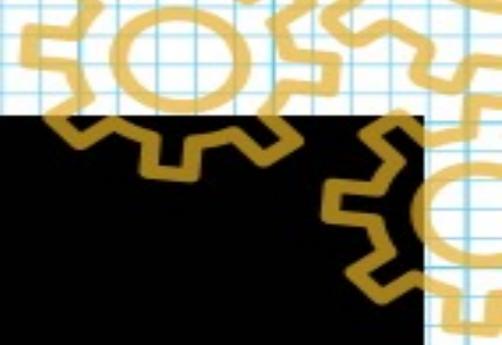
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21 Was our father Abraham not justified by works when he offered up his son Isaac on the altar?

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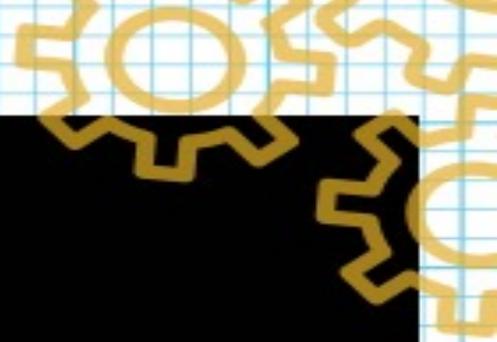
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22 You see that faith was working with his works, and as a result of the works, faith was perfected; **(completed)**

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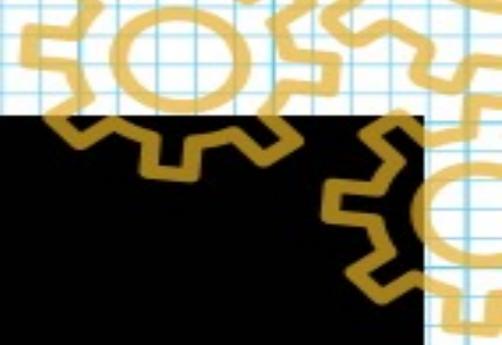
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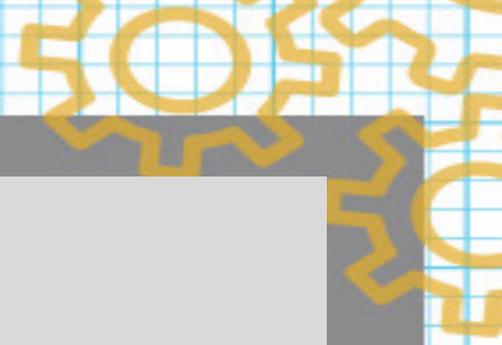
23 and the Scripture was fulfilled which says,
“AND ABRAHAM BELIEVED GOD,
AND IT WAS CREDITED TO HIM AS
RIGHTEOUSNESS,”
and he was called a friend of God.

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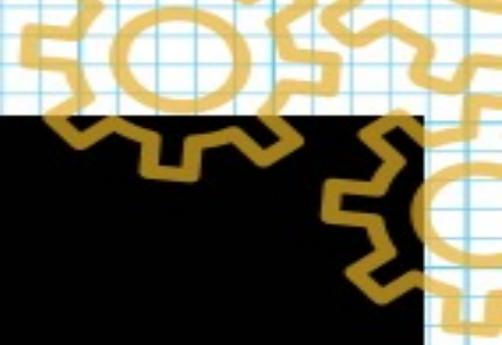


24 You see that a person is justified by works and not by faith alone.



Devotion of Abraham 21-24

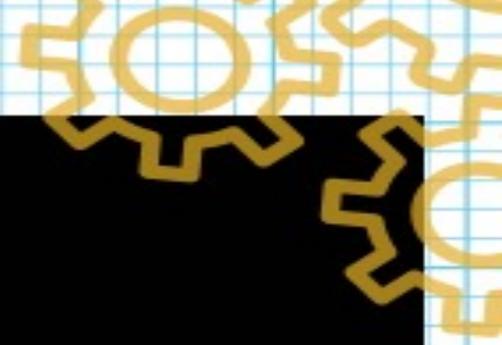
- ‘offered up his son Isaac’
- Claim to faith confirmed by action
- Quote from Gen 16; ‘tested’ in Gen 22
- ‘Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is’
- Matt 6:21 *“For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”*



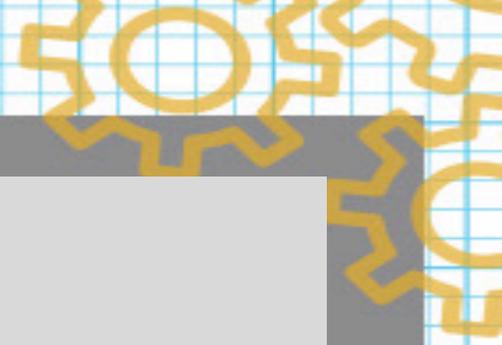
25 In the same way, was Rahab the prostitute not justified by works also when she received the messengers and sent them out by another way?

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26 For just as the body without the spirit is dead, so also faith without works is dead.

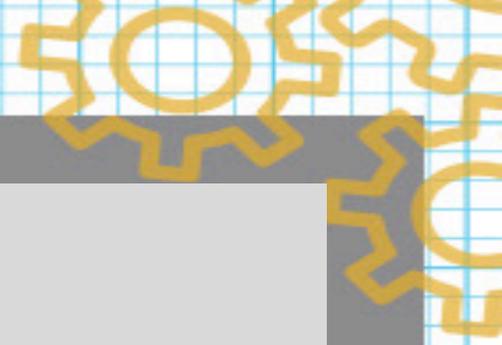


Devotion of Rahab 25,26

- Most unlikely volunteer
- Most unlikely believer
- Most unlikely servant

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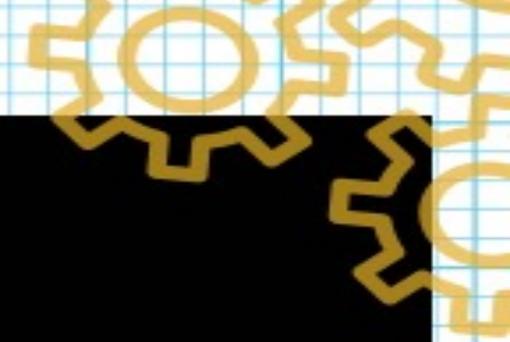
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*“Faith is the surrender of everything
held on nothing seen.”*

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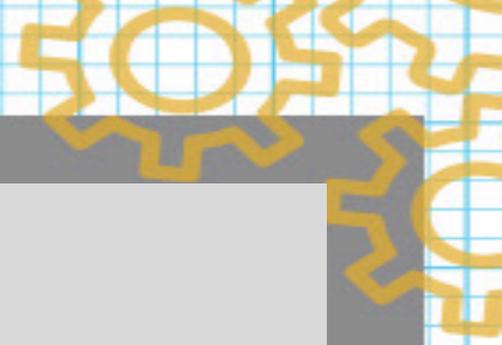


Is there enough evidence to convict you
of being a disciple?

Walking – Talking – Feeding –
Serving – Reproducing
(statute of limitations)

JAMES

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***Discipleship cannot be a one hand clap!
Faith held must be faith in action.
What needs to be surrendered?***