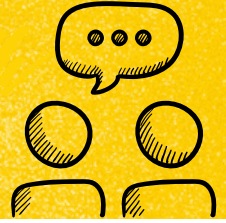




# the book of James

Week 5



**James 2:14-26**



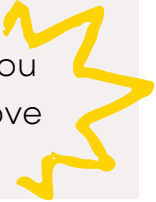
## Diving In Prompts

- (15-16) What is the answer to James' question at the end of verse 16?
- (18) James quotes an imaginary person separating faith and works, but what is James' answer to that person?
- (19) Is it enough to say you believe in Jesus? How does this verse compare to Romans 10:9?
- (24) How does this passage compare with Ephesians 2:5-10?
- How does the story of Abraham illustrate James' point? (Genesis 15:6, Genesis 22)
- What is the relationship/balance between faith and works?
- Write down a couple sentences that communicate the opposite of what James is trying to say.


## Application Questions

- Both are wrong, but which way are you prone to lean: 
  - Look good on the outside, but aren't genuine on the inside? (Legalism)
  - Say you "feel" love for Jesus, but don't actually obey anything. (Grace Abuser)
- If someone asked you, how would you explain to them how we obey "because we have been" saved by grace instead of "in order to be" saved by grace. 
- Are there ever times where you tell someone that you are praying for them, but God is calling you to go beyond that and to practically love them?

## Life Questions

- Anything we can pray for this week?
- Anyone hurting around you that we can pray for or love this week? 

## Key Verse

James 2:17 | So also, faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead. 

**Related Scripture for Extra Study**

1 John 2.6; 3.16-17; 4.19  
Matthew 28:19-20