

the book of James

Week 2

James 1:13-18





This passage talks a lot about sin and desires. Some of this stuff isn't best discussed among a group, but rather between one or two trusted, gospel-centered people.

Key Verse

Instead of a key verse from this passage, find a verse that combats a sin that you struggle with and memorize it!

Application

- Are there any sinful desires or habits that you have in your life you need to cut out?
- Make a list of good gifts God has given you in your life - spend time sharing them and thanking God for them.
- How does what God has said through James 1:13-18 change how you live this week?

Life Questions

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

Potential Discussion Questions

- What is the difference between trials (1:2-12) and temptations (1:13-18)?
- Vs 14-15 talk about the stages of desire.
 What are the stages? And what are the best way to deal with our evil desires?
- How can we practically and effectively cut out sinful desires and habits in our lives?
- Is there a time in your life where you had to do that and you'd be open to sharing?
- Read 1 Jn 1:9-10; Gal 6.1-2
 - Who is someone in your life you can confess your sins to?
- 1.17a | Desires aren't necessarily bad.
 When are the following desires good and when are they bad?
 - Sex; Money; Influence
 - Any other ones you can think of?
- 1.17b | Have you ever worked for someone who's attitude changes constantly? If God were that way, then how would our lives be different?
- What good gifts in your life to you often forget to attribute to God?

