

James 1:19-27

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**“Just Do It”**

# Marks of a Mature Christian

**1. Joyful in Trials. (vs 2-12)**

**2. Triumphant in Temptation (vs 13-18)**

**2. Doer of the Word (vs 19-27)**

**YOU CANNOT AND WILL NOT  
GROW UNLESS YOU ARE RIGHTLY  
RELATED TO THE WORD OF GOD!**

**IN ORDER TO BE A DOER OF THE WORD, THERE ARE THREE COMMANDS WE NEED TO EMBRACE**

- 1. You must "Hear the Word" (v19)**
- 2. You must "Receive the Word" (v21)**
- 3. You must "Do (Obey) the Word" (v22)**

# 1. HEAR THE WORD (VS 19-20)

**19 So then, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath; 20 for the wrath of man does not produce the righteousness of God.**

# JAMES GIVES US 3 COMMANDS:

- 1. Be Swift to Hear (v19)**
- 2. Be Slow to Speak (v19)**

# PROVERBS 10:19

**“In the multitude of words sin is not lacking, But he who restrains his lips is wise.”**

# JAMES GIVES US 3 COMMANDS:

- 1. Be Swift to Hear (v19)**
- 2. Be Slow to Speak (v19)**
- 3. Be Slow to Wrath (v19)**



## 2. RECEIVE THE WORD (VS 21)

**“21 Therefore lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.”**

## 2. RECEIVE THE WORD (VS 21)

### A. The Command to Receive the Word

# ACTS 17:11

**“They received the word with all readiness, and searched the Scriptures daily to find out whether these things were so.”**

# 1 THESSALONIANS 2:13

**“When you received the word of God which you heard from us, you welcomed it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which also effectively works in you who believe.”**

# JESUS' PARABLE OF "THE SOWER AND THE SEED". FOUR KINDS OF "SOILS" OR "HEARTS"

- 1. Hard Heart**
- 2. Shallow Heart**
- 3. Crowded Heart**
- 4. Fruitful Heart**

## **2. RECEIVE THE WORD (VS 21)**

**A. The Command to Receive the Word**

**B. The Condition to Receiving the Word**

**C. The Manner in Which We Receive the Word.**

**D. The Reason to Receive the Word.**

# ACTS 20:32

**“So now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified.”**

### 3. DO (OBEY) THE WORD (VS 22-27)

**22 But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. 23 For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man observing his natural face in a mirror; 24 for he observes himself, goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of man he was.**



### 3. DO (OBEY) THE WORD (VS 22-27)

25 But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues *in it*, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does. 26 If anyone among you thinks he is religious, and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his own heart, this one's religion *is* useless.

### 3. DO (OBEY) THE WORD (VS 22-27)

**27 Pure and undefiled religion before God and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their trouble, *and* to keep oneself unspotted from the world.**

### 3. DO (OBEY) THE WORD (VS 22-27)

**A. The Command (VS 22)**

**B. The Illustration (VS 23-25)**

# PSALM 1

**"1 Blessed is the man, who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of the scornful; 2 But his delight is in the law of the Lord, And in His law he meditates day and night. "**

# PSALM 1

**3 "He shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that brings forth its fruit in its season, whose leaf also shall not wither; and whatever he does shall prosper."**

### 3. DO (OBEY) THE WORD (VS 22-27)

**A. The Command (VS 22)**

**B. The Illustration (VS 23-25)**

**C. The Application (VS 26-27)**

# THE APPLICATION (VS 26-27)

**"26 Those who consider themselves religious (A good Christian) and yet do not keep a tight rein on their tongues deceive themselves, and their religion is worthless. 27 Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world."**

# IF WE GIVE THE WORD OF GOD:

- a. **Our "Attention"** – Hearing it!
- b. **Our "Reception"** – Receiving it!
- c. **Our "Application"** – Doing it!



# IT WILL BE SEEN IN THREE PRACTICAL WAYS IN OUR LIVES!

- a. **“In our Words” (v26)** – Speech – “Wise words”
- b. **“In our Works” (v27a)** – Service – “A loving heart”
- c. **“In our Walk” (v27b)** – Separation – “A holy life”

# PSALM 119:9-11

**"9 How can a young man cleanse his way? By taking heed according to Your word. 10 With my whole heart I have sought You; Oh, let me not wander from Your commandments! 11 Your word I have hidden in my heart, That I might not sin against You."**

**“This book will keep you  
from sin, or sin will keep  
you from this book.”**

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