Faith that Works: Faith Through Humility James 1:9-18

MAIN POINT: Celebrate the goodness of God.

SUPPORT SCRIPTURE:

James 1:2-3 (NIV): ² Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, ³ because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance.

MAIN SCRIPTURE:

James 1:9-11 (NIV): ⁹ Believers in humble circumstances ought to take pride in their high position. ¹⁰ But the rich should take pride in their humiliation—since they will pass away like a wild flower. ¹¹ For the sun rises with scorching heat and withers the plant; its blossom falls and its beauty is destroyed. In the same way, the rich will fade away even while they go about their business.

SUPPORT SCRIPTURE:

Matthew 13:22 – "...the worries of this life and the deceitfulness of wealth choke the word, making it unfruitful."

SUPPORT SCRIPTURE:

Matthew 6:20 (NIV): "...store up for yourselves treasures in heaven..."

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James 1:12-15 (NIV): ¹² Blessed is the one who perseveres under trial because, having stood the test, that person will receive the crown of life that the Lord has promised to those who love him. ¹³ When tempted, no one should say, "God is tempting me." For God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does he tempt anyone; ¹⁴ but each person is tempted when they are dragged away by their own evil desire and enticed. ¹⁵ Then, after desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, gives birth to death.

God does not tempt us, but He does test us.

test = to reveal

SUPPORT SCRIPTURE:

Genesis 3:12(NIV): ¹² The man said, "The woman you put here with me—she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it."

SUPPORT SCRIPTURE:

Genesis 3:13(NIV): The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

Own it!

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MAIN SCRIPTURE:

James 1:16-18 (NIV): ¹⁶ Don't be deceived, my dear brothers and sisters. ¹⁷ Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. ¹⁸ He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of all he created.

MAIN POINT:

Celebrate the goodness of God.

- Praise Him
- Give Back to Him
- Share Him Who's Your One?