

**Faith that Works: Faith through Obedience**  
*James 1:19-27*

**SUPPORT SCRIPTURE:**

**Job 40:8 (NIV):** “Would you discredit my justice? Would you condemn me to justify yourself?”

**MAIN SCRIPTURE:**

**James 1:19 (NIV):** <sup>19</sup> My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry,

quick = “swift; in the next moment”

“pause for effect”

**MAIN POINT:**      **Be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry.**

**MAIN SCRIPTURE:**

**James 1:20-21 (NIV):** <sup>20</sup> because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires. <sup>21</sup> Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you.

**SUPPORT SCRIPTURE:**

**Psalms 4:4 (ESV):** Be angry, do not sin...

**You will not have to take back what you did not say.**

**MAIN POINT:**      **Be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry.**

**MAIN SCRIPTURE:**

**James 1:22-25 (NIV):** <sup>22</sup> Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. <sup>23</sup> Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror <sup>24</sup> and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. <sup>25</sup> But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do.

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**MAIN SCRIPTURE:**

**James 1:26-27 (NIV):** <sup>26</sup> Those who consider themselves religious and yet do not keep a tight rein on their tongues deceive themselves, and their religion is worthless. <sup>27</sup> 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.

**SUPPORT SCRIPTURE:**

**Ephesians 4:29 (NIV):** <sup>29</sup> Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.

**religion = “ceremonial observance; worship”**

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