James: Genuine Week 1: Joy, Faith, Love

About This Resource

What does it mean to be genuine?

Have you ever struggled with genuine faith?

What does a genuine prayer sound like?

How does one truly become wise?

This month our series on the book of James and we are going to look at the way things ought to be. Being genuine is the opposite of fake, which means when we talk about faith, prayer, generosity, wisdom and a relationship with Jesus we will be focused on the real version and not the counterfeit version the world is trying to sell. Join us this month as we grow in what we know about being and living genuine lives for Christ!

Each session includes (60 - 75 minutes):

- Share Time: An opportunity for people to share where they saw God this week. (7 minutes)
- Connection Time: An activity to grow in relationship with each other. (8 minutes)
- ❖ Worship: Songs that speak the truth of the session. (10-15 minutes)
- ❖ Teaching: A video clip that dives into the chapter. (15-20 minutes)
- Scripture Memory: Tools to hide the word of God in your heart. (5-7 minutes)
- Simple Spiritual Conversation Starters: Questions that can easily transition to spiritual conversations (10-15 minutes)
- ❖ Biblical Prayer: Prompts to pray Scripture back to God (5 minutes)

Full Send Ministry exists to Equip, Empower and Encourage people to live 100% committed lives to God. There are more resources at www.fullsendministry.com

- > Daily tools for personal growth and outreach
- Yearly conference information
- > Free curriculum



Lesson #1 Joy, Faith and Love

What you will need for this lesson:

Setup:

- Have the song videos and teaching videos pulled up on the computer.
- Prepare the tool for memorizing scripture.
- Put a list of past scriptures on the board to go over.
- Print a copy of the daily tools for each attendee.

Curriculum Note: As you walk through each daily tool, have your group write down who or when they could use that tool this week. This curriculum is a call and an expectation of action in this world. Let's equip, empower and encourage each other to live our lives 100% committed to Jesus every day.

Welcome: (Includes Share Time and Fun Friday)

As we start our time together today I want to encourage you to brainstorm ideas of how to help those in need in your community. Make a list of items that would benefit local ministries and commit to bringing those items back with you next week to donate to those ministries.

At Full Send we love to celebrate what God is doing and that is why we want testimony time to be a part of every session. We believe that God has been moving throughout the week and want to celebrate with each other where we saw Him. Before we start talking about the book of James let's share what God has been doing in our lives this week! After a few people have shared praise God for His movement in your lives.

Worship: (Includes Tune In Thursday)

Listening and singing to God is a great way to connect with Him and hear Biblical truths. Encourage your group to either listen or sing along, whatever is best for them. As they engage with each song there will be a few questions to unpack what they heard and experienced.

The Joy by The Belonging Co - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=crFD-jOL2DY

What do we hear about Joy in this song?

Screen Door by Rich Mullins - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rJgpU-43CD4&start_radio=1

- What is the problem with faith without works?

Word: (Includes Scripture Sunday, Memorize Monday and Watch It Wednesday)

Before we listen to the message from Jeremy let's read James 2

Today we are going to hear from Jeremy Van Genderen about genuine joy, love and faith https://youtu.be/IKjaWa9U3lg

Encourage people to take notes on the back of their sheet of daily tools as they listen to the teaching. Ask them what stood out to them from the teaching or the scripture.

Let's memorize James 2:17 So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

Today we are going to memorize this verse through song. We will play the song 2 times and I want to encourage you to sing along the second time through.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IHDAXjOyElg

Witness: (Includes Table Talk Tuesday)

Now that we have read and studied about genuine joy, love and faith, challenge the group to answer the questions as they would. Then think about how others may answer the questions and how they can turn that into a spiritual conversation.

The questions of the day are: Do you believe in a higher power? What do you believe? How does that impact your life? Can I tell you about what I believe? This is how it impacts me life...

As we process these questions, we hope that each person is prepared and equipped to use these questions in normal everyday conversations throughout the week.

Let's read James 1:22

Truth: What we believe must impact what we say and do.

May this section be an encouragement to those who hear it, and may God fill them with the hope they can have in Jesus Christ.

Closing Prayer: (Includes Seek Him Saturday)

Each week we want to teach people how to pray scripture back to God. Sometimes it is as easy as speaking the text and other times it is using the concepts of the passage to say what is going on in our lives. Let's finish our day by Pray James 2:1-9 and ask for the eyes to see like God sees and to love those around you well.

Encourage the group to come back with stories of what God did this week and how He worked through these daily tools.

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Scripture: James 1-2 Topic: Joy, Faith, Love

Scripture Sunday:

Read James 1 and 2 today. What do you hear about genuine joy, faith and love?

Memorize Monday:

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Table Talk Tuesday:

Talk: Do you believe in a higher power? What do you believe? How does that impact your life? Can I tell you about what I believe? This is how it impacts me life...

Text: But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. James 1:22

Truth: What we believe must impact what we say and do.

Watch it Wednesday:

Full Send James Genuine joy, faith, love by Jeremy Van Genderen https://youtu.be/lKjaWa9U3lg

Tune In Thursday:

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Screen Door by Rich Mullins - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rJgpU-43CD4&list=RDrJgpU-43CD4&start_radio=1

Fun Friday:

Today I want you to gather your friends and family and go serve at a soup kitchen or food pantry. Take a moment to give them a call and find out what supplies they might need and stop by the store on the way and pick up some items to meet the needs they have.

Seek Him Saturday:

Pray James 2:1-9 and ask for the eyes to see like God sees and to love those around you well.