

JAMES

A FAITH THAT WORKS

LOOKING IN THE MIRROR

*²² Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. ²³ Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror ²⁴ and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. ²⁵ 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. **James 1:22-25***

Many of us are educated far beyond the level of our _____.

Our problem isn't _____ to the Word of God, but _____ of the Word of God.

The Word of God is like a _____.

The Word of God will _____ who you really are in light of who God really is.

Simply _____ God's Word does not make you any more Christ-like than looking in a _____ makes you more attractive!

It doesn't work unless you _____!

*²⁴ "Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. ²⁵ The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. ²⁶ But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. ²⁷ The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash." ²⁸ When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching, ²⁹ because he taught as one who had authority, and not as their teachers of the law. **Matthew 7:24-29***

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