

James: Practical Daily Faith

Part 5 – Judgment: With or Without Mercy?

James 2:1–13

Key Truth: Genuine faith not only overcomes temptation—it treats others with the same mercy and grace Christ has shown us.

I. Have the Faith of Jesus Christ

James 2:1

Christ's Faith:

- Recognized temptation.
- Endured temptation.
- Escaped temptation.
- Fulfilled God's purpose through temptation.

As We Walk by Faith:

- Christ is glorified in us.
- Others are drawn to Him.
- We become examples of His grace.

Notes:

II. Show No Respect of Persons

James 2:2–7

Christlike Faith:

- Welcomes rich and poor alike.
- Sees people through the lens of grace.
- Values every soul equally.

Remember:

- Trials should make us more compassionate, not more critical.

- Spiritual maturity is measured by how we treat others.

Notes:

III. Fulfill the Royal Law

James 2:8–11

"Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself."

Love Refuses:

- Partiality
- Pride
- Self-righteous judgment

Love Chooses:

- Grace
- Humility
- Compassion

Notes:

IV. Mercy Triumphs Over Judgment

James 2:12–13

Live in the Law of Liberty

- Speak with grace.
- Act with mercy.
- Remember God's work in your own life.

Final Reminder:

- We receive what we give.
- God alone is the Judge.

- Don't become a stumbling block to someone Christ is drawing.

Notes:

Practical Application

- Walk by the faith of Christ.
- See people through the eyes of grace.
- Love your neighbor without partiality.
- Choose mercy over judgment.

When we remember the mercy God has shown us, we become people who freely extend that same mercy to others.