

James: Practical Daily Faith
Part 6 – Dead Faith Doesn't Work

James 2:14–26

Key Truth: Saving faith is more than a profession—it is demonstrated by a life that trusts, obeys, and serves Christ.

I. Faith Must Be More Than Words

James 2:14

Two Questions James Asks:

- What profit is professed faith without proof?
- Can a "say-so" faith save?

Remember:

- Talking about Christ does not make us Christlike.
- Saving faith begins in the heart and is confessed with the mouth.
- Real faith produces visible evidence.

Notes:

II. Faith Does What Is Needed

James 2:15–17

Living Faith:

- Meets genuine needs.
- Loves in deed, not just in words.
- Cares for the household of faith.

Key Principle:

Faith will do what it is needed to do.

Notes:

III. Faith Is Seen Through Works

James 2:18–20

True Faith:

- Is revealed by obedience.
- Is not merely knowledge.
- Produces a life that points others to Christ.

Remember:

- Even demons believe God exists.
- Knowledge informs.
- Faith transforms.

It's not about what you know—it's about how you show what you know.

Notes:

IV. Biblical Faith Always Acts

James 2:21–26

Examples of Living Faith:

- Abraham obeyed.
- Rahab protected God's people.
- The heroes of Hebrews 11 acted because they believed.

Dead Faith:

- Has no evidence.
- Produces no obedience.
- Is like a body without the spirit.

Notes:

Practical Application

- **Believe** God's Word.
- **Trust** Christ completely.
- **Obey** what He commands.
- **Serve** others with genuine love.
- **Demonstrate** your faith through daily obedience.

Dead faith talks. Living faith walks. Faith that truly saves always produces a life that glorifies Christ.