

James 1 - How to be a Doer Pt.1

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James 1:22-25

22 **BUT BE YE DOERS OF THE WORD, AND NOT HEARERS ONLY, DECEIVING YOUR OWN SELVES.**

23 For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass:

24 For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was.

25 But **WHOSO LOOKETH INTO THE PERFECT LAW OF LIBERTY, AND CONTINUETH THEREIN**, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed.

- **WE BECOME SELF-DECEIVED WHEN GOD'S WORD IS NOT GIVEN THE PROPER:**

- **honor** - *we forget these words are divinely breathed by our Creator, Father, Judge*
- **submission** - *we perceive alternative options as legitimate*
- **time & focus** - *we see above the surface, God sees below the surface, we attack symptoms, God attacks the root*

Joshua 1:8

- **DOING THE WORD IS POSSIBLE ONLY WITH A SPIRITUAL INFUSION OF GOD'S LIFE:**

2 Peter 1:3 "...**HIS DIVINE POWER HATH GIVEN UNTO US** things that pertain unto life and godliness, ***through the knowledge of him...***"

John 15:4-5

4 *Abide in me, and I in you. As **THE BRANCH CANNOT BEAR FRUIT OF ITSELF, EXCEPT IT ABIDE IN THE VINE; NO MORE CAN YE, EXCEPT YE ABIDE IN ME.***

5 *I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for **WITHOUT ME YE CAN DO NOTHING.***

Matthew 11:28-30

28 Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and **I WILL GIVE YOU REST.**

29 **TAKE MY YOKE UPON YOU**, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and **YE SHALL FIND REST UNTO YOUR SOULS.**

30 **FOR MY YOKE IS EASY, AND MY BURDEN IS LIGHT.**

- **WE BECOME SELF-DECEIVED WHEN THAT SPIRITUAL INFUSION IS REPLACED BY:**

- **KNOWLEDGE** - *learning what the Bible says **without a surrendered heart**, knowledge puffs up with **NO** change in heart or character because the spiritual infusion never occurs*

2 Timothy 3:1-7

1 This know also, that in the last days **PERILOUS TIMES SHALL COME.**

2 For men shall be **LOVERS OF THEIR OWN SELVES**, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,

- 3 Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,
- 4 Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;
- 5 **HAVING A FORM** (*the act of fabricating*) **OF GODLINESS, but DENYING THE POWER THEREOF: FROM SUCH TURN AWAY.**
- 6 For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts,
- 7 **EVER LEARNING, AND NEVER ABLE TO COME TO THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE TRUTH.**

- **EXPERIENCE**

- 1 Samuel 16:21–23

- 21 And David came to Saul, and stood before him: and **HE LOVED HIM GREATLY**; and he became his armourbearer.

- 22 And Saul sent to Jesse, saying, Let David, I pray thee, stand before me; for he hath found favour in my sight.

- 23 And it came to pass, when the evil spirit from God was upon Saul, that David took an harp, and played with his hand: so **SAUL WAS REFRESHED**, and **WAS WELL**, and **THE EVIL SPIRIT DEPARTED FROM HIM.**

- **HOW DOES THAT SPIRITUAL INFUSION OCCUR?**

- **RELATIONSHIP**

- 2 Peter 1:3 *"...his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, **THROUGH THE KNOWLEDGE OF HIM...**"*

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- **ABSOLUTE SURRENDER & TRANSPARENCY**

- 1 John 1:5–10

- 5 *This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that **GOD IS LIGHT**, and **IN HIM IS NO DARKNESS AT ALL.***

- 6 *If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth:*

- 7 *But **IF WE WALK IN THE LIGHT, AS HE IS IN THE LIGHT, WE HAVE FELLOWSHIP ONE WITH ANOTHER**, and **THE BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST HIS SON CLEANSETH US FROM ALL SIN.***

- 8 *If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.*

- 9 *If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

- 10 *If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.*