

Faith Works

James 2:14-26; 3:13-18

The Perfect Christian

- James 1; Wisdom & Trials
- James 2; Faith & Works
 - The wise person of faith does not show favoritism
(2:1-13)

The Perfect Christian

- The wise person of faith controls his tongue (3:1-12)
- The wise person of faith lives at peace with others (4:1-12)
- The wise person of faith is a good steward of their finances (5:1-6)
- The wise person of faith is steadfast in suffering (5:7-20)

Faith Works (2:14-26)

- You are not saved by works (Eph. 2:8-9)
- You are saved for works (Eph. 2:10)
- Genuine faith is proven through works
 - Faith without works is of no good (vs. 14)
 - Faith without works should be questioned (vs. 14)

Faith Works (2:14-26)

- Genuine faith is proven through works
 - Faith without works is dead (vs. 17, 26)
 - Faith without works is demonic (vs. 19; 3:15)
 - Faith without works is useless (vs. 20)

Faith Works: Part 2

James 2:21-26; 3:13-18

Scriptural Examples Faith Works

- Abraham's faith produced works (vs. 21-24)
 - Abraham was justified by faith (Rom. 4:2-3)
 - Abraham was justified by faith that produced works (James 2:21)
 - Abraham's faith was completed by works (vs. 22)

Scriptural Examples Faith Works

- Abraham's works were a result of his faith
 - Heb. 11:17-19
- Abraham's faith can't be separated from his works (vs. 23-24)
- Rehab's faith produced works (vs. 25)
 - Heb. 11:31

Faith v. Favoritism

James 2:1-7; 3:13-18

Mature believers don't show favoritism (2:1-7)

- Showing favoritism judges wrongly (vs. 1)
- Showing favoritism is evil (vs. 4)
- Showing favoritism is corrupt (vs. 4)

Mature believers don't show favoritism (2:1-7)

- Showing favoritism ignores God's verdict (vs. 5)
- Showing favoritism ignores the evidence (vs. 6-7)

Mature believers uphold the law (2:8-13)

- The royal law (vs. 8)
 - “Love your neighbor as yourself”
 - Matt. 22:³⁸ This is the great and first commandment. ³⁹ And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.⁴⁰ On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”

Mature believers uphold the law (2:8-13)

- Showing favoritisms breaks the law (vs. 9-11)
- Showing favoritism places, you above the law (vs. 12)
- The wise understand they will be judged (vs. 13)

Wisdom Works

James 3:13-18

Wisdom Works (3:13-18)

- Wisdom is seen through works (vs. 13)
- Works of the fool (vs. 14-16)
 - Bitter jealousy, selfish ambition, untruthfulness, disorder, evil practice

Wisdom Works (3:13-18)

- Works of the wise (vs. 17-18)
 - Purity, peace, gentleness, reason, mercy, fruit, impartiality, sincerity