



# James Bible Study

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## Session 1

Introduction: Why Contrast?

1. If you've read the Book of James, what are some obvious contrasts that stand out?
2. What are the characteristics of an established heart? Why is that important for the preparation of the coming Lord?
3. In a world of contrast, in what ways can you choose a life led by light?

## Session 2

Fruitful Faith & Dead Faith

1. What would you describe as faith in action?
2. Understanding that the work has already been done on the cross through Jesus, how would you describe work in action?
3. How does it make you feel to know that even demons have faith?

## Session 3

Mercy & Judgement

1. When have you experienced receiving mercy from another person and how does that make you want to maintain a Christ-like relationship with others?
2. Read Exodus 25:17-22. Discuss the mercy seat.
3. Read Matthew 18:21-35. How does God's view of mercy differ from yours?

## Session 4

Humility & Pride

1. We are taught to be proud of everything, how does that contradict what James is telling us?
2. Is pride always obvious in your life? What would it look like to submit your pride and walk humbly?
3. Have you ever thought of humility as obedience?

## **Session 5**

### Knowledge & Wisdom

1. When you face challenges in life, do you feel it's easier to turn to earthly wisdom or Godly wisdom? Why?
2. What are your thoughts on the idea that there can be demonic wisdom from Hell?
3. Do you desire to be seen as world-wise or Heavenly-wise?

## **Session 6**

### Friends & enemies

1. In the face of death, what is truly important to you?
2. How can you follow God in love and not be friends with the world?
3. When you become friends with the world it results in spiritual adultery against God. How does that title of being adulterers when we turn away from God make you feel?

## **Session 7**

### Perseverance & Giving Up

1. The farmer is actively doing what he can control as he waits for the rain. What should we be doing as we await Jesus' return?
2. Is lack of patience a lack of trust in God?
3. The Book of James teaches faith in action and reminds us to be persistent and not give up until Jesus' return. How do we live this out?