



Study Guide – James 1:19-27

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An intriguing issue in New Testament theology is the relationship between the grace of God and the demands of the law. These are often viewed as opposites. What are your thoughts on this?

How does James define “law” and “word”?

Words have power to wound and heal. Where have you experienced wound from someone’s words and where have you experienced healing?

How does our speech reflect our relationship with God?

What might be the effects in the life of a person who reads the Bible week after week but never puts any of the truths into practice?

Which of the following is most difficult for you: listening intently to people, being slow to speak, or being slow to get angry? What can you do to grow in this area of your life?

What is meant by James statement about looking “intently into the perfect law that gives freedom”?

Verse 27 ends saying: “refusing to let the world corrupt you”, what does this mean?

What is so significant about having a desire to care for orphans and widows? Why would James highlight it as a mark of genuine faith?

Who are the orphans and widows in your life?

Pray together