

DIGGING DEEPER

Sermon: BENEFITS OF THE BOOK

Scripture: James 1:19-27



GETTING STARTED

How would you respond to someone who says they are a “good person”, even though they don’t believe the Bible.

BIBLE STUDY

1. In what ways does anger affect our ability to live “the righteous life that God desires (v. 20)?
2. How does “moral filth” and “evil” (v. 21) interfere with the operation of God’s Word in our lives?
3. Romans 1:18-32 describes people who refused to submit to the Truth. What is the end result of consciously ignoring the Truth that has been revealed?
4. How does God’s Word act as a mirror (v. 23)?
 - What’s the difference between *glancing* at God’s Word and *gazing* into it?
5. In what ways do the following indicate that our religious convictions are genuine?
 - Controlled Speech:
 - Compassionate Spirit:
 - Clean Slate:

APPLY IT

Pastor Paul concluded Sunday’s message with a three fold application of how we can put God’s Word to use in our lives:

- **Slow Down**—Live in such a way as to allow yourself time to be in God’s Word.
- **Calm Down**—Control your temper and fits of anger in order to be open to God’s work in your life.
- **Lay Down**—Get rid of sinful acts and practices that interfere with God’s ability to get through to you.

Which of these three steps is most needed in your life right now so that you can enhance your walk with God?

- Write down at least three specific steps you’ll take in that area of your life to make it happen.