

Faith and Deeds - James 2:14-26

Topics: Actions, Faith, God, Hypocrisy, Righteousness

Open It

- * 1. If you were 100 miles from home with no money, no credit cards, no friends, no transportation, and no place to stay, what would you do to survive and make it home?
- 2. What is the difference between someone who talks about a problem and someone who does something about the problem?

Explore It

- 3. What is the relationship between faith and deeds? (2:14)
- 4. What illustration did James use to explain how real faith affects a person's deeds? (2:15-17)
- 5. How did James describe faith that has no accompanying deeds? (2:17)
- 6. What is wrong with having faith without deeds? (2:18-26)
- 7. What do the demons believe about God? How does it affect them? (2:19)
- * 8. What did Abraham do to show his faith? (2:21-23)
- * 9. What made Abraham righteous? (2:23)
- * 10. How is a person justified before God? (2:24)
- 11. What did Rahab do? (2:25)
- 12. How did Rahab show faith? (2:25)
- 13. How are faith and deeds like the body and the spirit? (2:26)

Get It

- 14. How is being a Christian supposed to change the way we live?
- 15. What can a Christian do to help the people around him or her?
- 16. What is one way to tell if a person has a real, living faith?
- * 17. What is difficult about applying what we hear in church to our everyday lives?
- 18. What are some of the biblical commands which are hard for you to live out?
- 19. If God has forgiven us and promised us eternal life, what motivation do we have to live in obedience to Him today?
- 20. Which is easier for you—talking about your faith with others, or demonstrating love toward them?
- * 21. In what areas of your life do you want to begin acting more like a Christian?

Apply It

- * 22. In what home, work, or neighborhood situations might you be able to show faith in God this week?
How?
- 23. How can you show greater faith in God by what you do this week?