

Lessons from the Book of James

1:2	Happiness in All Circumstances
1:2	We will Face Various (Multiple) Trials
1:3-4	Testing -> Endurance -> Maturity (Lacking Nothing)
1:5	Ask for Wisdom, God will Provide
1:6	Pray in Faith
1:6-8	Doubting/Double-Mindedness = Instability
1:9	Poor Believer in High Position
1:10-11	Rich Unbeliever is Perishing in His Pursuits
1:12	Perseverance -> Eternal Reward (Crown of Life)
1:13	God does not Tempt Us
1:14-15	Tempted by Lusts + Volition -> Sin -> Oper. Death
1:16	Avoid Deception
1:17	All True Blessings come from God
1:17	God does not Change
1:18	Born of God, by His Word of Truth, in His Will
1:19	Quick to Hear, Slow to Speak
1:19-20	Slow to Anger (Make sure Anger is Righteous)
1:21	Put aside our Old Ways (Baggage)
1:21	Humility -> Word Implanted -> Souls Rescued
1:22	Doers, not just Hearers
1:22-24	Delusion – Ignoring what the Word Reveals about Us
1:25	Blessing from Abiding by the Law of Liberty
1:25	Effectual Doer – Divine Good vs. Human Good
1:26	Controlling the Tongue
1:26	Appearance of being “Religious”
1:27	Keeping Oneself Unstained by the World
2:1-9	The Sin of Prejudice/Favoritism
2:5	Richness in Faith, not Worldly Wealth

2:7	Blaspheming by being Judgmental
2:8	The Royal Law – Love One Another
2:10-11	Break One, Break ‘em All
2:12	Behave as under the Law of Liberty
2:13	Judging brings Judgment, Mercy Superior
2:14-26	Experiential Justification – Faith and Works
2:15-17	Operationally Dead Faith (vv. 20 & 26 also)
2:18	Faith is Invisible, Our Good Works are the Evidence
2:19	Our Faith must be in the Savior, not just God
2:21-23	Faith is Strengthened through Good Works
2:24-25	Our Walk is Justified by the Fruit we Bear
2:21,25	Works Examples Given – Murder and Treason
3:1	Stricter Judgment for Teachers
3:2	Controlling the Tongue takes Spiritual Maturity
3:3-5	The Tongue – Small in Size, yet Powerful/Dangerous
3:6	Our Words can Derail Our Spiritual Lives
3:7-8	It is All but Impossible to Tame The Tongue
3:9	Honoring God while Cursing His Creatures
3:10-12	Good and Bad from the Same Source (Our Mouths)
3:13-18	Worldly Wisdom versus Divine Wisdom
3:13	Wisdom Reflected in Our Deeds (with Gentleness)
3:18	Peace with Others Bearing Fruit of Righteousness
4:1-2	Lust and Envy Produce Fighting Among Brethren
4:2-3	Making Petitions of God with Proper Motives
4:4	Befriending the World Puts Us at Enmity with God
4:5	The Holy Spirit in Us is not a Spirit of Envy
4:6-16	Pride versus Humility
4:7	Submit to God, but Resist the Devil
4:8	Intimacy with God through Knowing His Word
4:8	Cleansing (Confession) and Purification (Growth)

4:9	Our Sinful “Joy” Must be Replaced with Misery
4:10	Humility Results in True Promotion (from God)
4:11-12	Slander/Judging Behavior Slanders/Judges the Word
4:13-14	Life is Short – No Promise of Tomorrow
4:15-16	“Lord Willing” Excludes Boasting
4:17	The Sin of Omission
5:1-6	Failing the Prosperity Test
5:2-3	All Temporal Wealth can/will be Taken Away
5:3	We are in the Last Days – Eternal Focus
5:4	Evil Business Practices and Cries to the Lord
5:5	Perils of Hedonism
5:6	Patient Suffering of the Righteous
5:7-8	Patiently wait for God’s Provision
5:8	A Mindset of Imminence
5:9	Allow the Lord to be the Judge
5:10-11	Prophets/Job – Suffering, Patience and Endurance
5:11	The Compassion and Mercy of God Our Judge
5:12	Admonition Against Taking Oaths
5:13	Prayer/Praise Regardless of Circumstance
5:14-16	Coming Alongside Someone Struggling Spiritually
5:14	Prayer and Comfort for the Weak
5:14	Anointing (Medicinal/Cosmetic, Symbolic, Holy Spirit)
5:15	The Lord Does the Restoring, Sins or No Sins
5:16	Effective Prayer Accomplishes Much
5:17-18	Elijah’s Prayer in Faith
5:19-20	Restoration of a Wandering Believer Saves His Soul
*	Following the Lord’s Will in Our Lives
*	The Importance of Maintaining Fellowship with God