

SESSION 6
JAMES 1.19-25

The previous session spotlighted the unchanging Father of Lights Who is always holy, always righteous, always loving, always wise, and never tempts. He is the ultimate Source of all good gifts that we experience in life whether we recognize Him or not. The greatest gift of all is the regeneration of the individual, a spectacular spiritual event that is birthed in the heart of God and is brought forth by the Spirit of God upon the Word of God doing the work of God drawing the soul to saving faith in Jesus Christ.

V 19 How does James set up this section of scripture?

What is the substrate for “quickness” of hearing?

What is to be heard?

What is involved with being slow to speak and anger? Prov 10.19

From where does the power come in fulfilling this command?

V 20 James is clear that the anger of man cannot work the righteousness of God.

What does the righteousness of God work? Micah 6.8

Is it possible to have “righteous anger”?

V 21 How does the believer really carry out this imperative?

What is the quality of heart that God is always looking for?

What is crucial for the transforming power of the Word of God to be effective?

What is the ultimate result of the Word- inspired transformation of the soul?

V 22 What do you recall is peculiar about this verse?

In conjunction with V 21, what 3 stages of experience does James identify in the evolution of an obedient, Christ - centered life?

What is the deception to which James is referring? How have you seen this deception operative in your life?

V 23-24 How is the Word of God like a mirror?

V 25 What verb captures your attention in the first part of this verse?

What is this “Perfect Law” to which James is referring?

How is this Law perfect? Mtt 5.17

How is this Law a law of liberty? Have you experienced this Law of liberty operative in your life? Cite specific examples. Jn 8. 34-36

How does perseverance factor into the blessing that is received when hearing is linked to doing? Heb 12.1-2