

## WK4 // Notes & Questions // James

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Sunday

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James 2:14-24

◆◆◆ Message Notes ◆◆◆

□□□ Faith & Works □□□

◆ The internal belief you have in Jesus should produce external change in you

▪V.14-16

- Can faith without works save you?

▪V.17-19

- Faith, if it has no works, is dead
- How are you going to show that your faith is alive?
- You believe, good for you, the demons also believe.

◆ Real faith goes beyond our belief and into our behaviors

▪V.20-24

- Abraham didn't just believe, he acted
- People are justified by works and not by faith alone

◆ Justified

- = to be made right
- = to prove that something is right

◆ Paul: Talking about Salvation

- Romans 3:28

◆ James: Talking about Christian Living

- James 2:24

◆ "It's impossible to separate faith or works - it is as trying to separate a burning flame from its brightness" - Martin Luther

## ◆◆◆ Questions ◆◆◆

1. What is challenging about what James says regarding faith and works? Why?
  2. Has your belief in God changed you? How so?
  3. How should our words, thoughts and actions be different once we place our faith in Jesus?
  4. What sphere of your life (work, home, etc..) do you find it most difficult to live out your faith?
  5. Is there a next step you feel you need to take in your journey of faith? What is it? How can we help you?
- I encourage you to read through James 2:14-24 together before doing any questions. Allow the Word to drive your conversation.

## ▣ Announcements ▣

- Point out the Join a Serve Team form on the Church Center App
- 11/06 is the last day to drop off gift cards for the Fostering Hope gift card drive