



I. Background

A. What is the key idea that James is trying to get across? **James 1:22-24**

*he says it in another way in **James 2:26**

*a reason why we should “do” is because of all the good that God gives (**1:17-18**)

B. James is looking at Christians who find themselves content with just being Christians. These Christians are not the Christians that are used by God or who find God’s fullest plan for their life.

***James 2:10; 19**

C. What are some of the specific topics James has covered so far in “doing the word”?

***James 2:1; 3:10; 4:4**

*All of these have to do with our interaction with the world.

*Tonight, we will end with James’ challenge to us about each other, Generation246. It is the final puzzle to being DOERS of the Word

II. A Bond of Prayer (**James 5:13-18**)

A. Through prayer, God can heal our physical and spiritual needs (**verse 15**)

B. The INTENSE prayer of faithful Christians is POWERFUL (**end of verse 16**)

C. But, we have to be willing to share those needs with each other (**verse 16**)

-it is through multiple prayer warriors that answered prayers happen

Ask Yourself: Are you that someone that teens in this youth group can go to for prayer/advice?

Ask Yourself: If so, will you commit to do more than just say “I’m praying for you, and actually intensely pray for them?”

Ask Yourself: Am I willing to be honest about my struggles with those who love me?

III. A Bond of Accountability (**James 5:19-20**)

A. While it is important that we reach the lost, we must have people in our lives that will point out sins and possible mistakes in our lives

*Example of being who I am today because of people who prayed for me and who were bluntly honest with me.

B. If we are that accountability partner for someone, I am saving them from destruction

1. from Hell if they aren’t really a Christian

2. from broken fellowship with God and God’s discipline if they are a Christian

Talk About It: Do we do a good job standing up and pointing those we care about in the right direction or do we keep our mouths shut?

*Remember, what does it mean if we say nothing at all?

Think About It: We spend so much time trying to impress people at school who will forget our name and really don’t care about us. There is something special happening here where people will genuinely care about you.