

“James: Authentic Christianity (4) – Hearing and Doing” (1:19-27)

The book of *James*... *Similar Tone* to *Proverbs*
and *Amazing Parallelism* to the *Sermon on the Mount* (Matt 5-7; see Chart)

I. *Receptivity to the Word* (1:19-21)

A. *3-fold Injunction on Communication – Foundational Tool of Relationships*

- 1. *Be Quick to Listen: A Good Listener is an Interested Listener, Listens without Prejudice, and doesn't Listen Selectively***
- 2. *Be Slow to Speak: Not Hasty with Words; thinks carefully (*True? Profitable?* Cf. Prov 29:20), and expresses with *Clarity****
- 3. *Be Slow to become Angry: Control One's Emotion (Prov 15:1), and Sensitive to Verbal and Non-verbal Communication***

B. *Rid Self-Righteous Anger; Humbly Accept the implanted Word*

When the *Seed of God's Word* is Sown: Is your *Heart...*
Hard, Shallow, Crowded or Fertile Soil (Cf. Matt 13:1–9, 18–23)?

II. *Responsiveness to the Word* (1:22-25)

A. *Doer of the Word – Active Obedience* (Cf. Hebrews 5:12-14)

B. *Mere Hearer of the Word – Self-Deception*

Ready Response to the “*Perfect Law* that gives *Freedom*” is the *Key* to being *Blessed*

III. *Resolved to Live Out the Word* (1:26-27)

A. “*Religious*” – *External Observances*; *Religious* works may be *Manufactured* *Outward Ritualistic Practices* without a “tight rein on his *Tongue*” is *Deceiving* one's self and *Worthless* to God

B. *A Transformed Life* which is displayed in...

- 1. *Character: Pure and Faultless, not Polluted by the World***
- 2. *Conduct: Caring for orphans and widows in their distress***

Don't fall for the *Terrible Delusion*: When *Hearing* and *Doing* don't match,
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James' reference to Jesus' Sermon on the Mount¹

James	The Sermon on the Mount (Matt 5-7)
1:2	5:10-12
1:4	5:48
1:5; 5:15	7:7-12
1:9	5:3
1:20	5:22
2;13	5:7; 6:14-15
2;14-16	7;21-23
3:17-18	5:9
4;4	6;24
4:10	5;3-5
4;11	7:1-2
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5:10	5:12
5;12	5;33-37

¹ Bible Knowledge Commentary, Commentary on "James".