

Brother Tim's Blog #6

I'm finally getting to more blog posts...

What are we doing? James (the James of the Bible, not some dude named 'James') said that "faith without works is dead." I don't know the chapter or verse, you gotta look that up yourself! But, the message is simple: if you don't do good works, you don't have true faith. Why is that? Well, what did Jesus teach? He taught that we should have compassion on the less fortunate, the underprivileged, the forgotten, the downtrodden, the..... (you get the idea). So how ridiculous does the "Gospel" sound to a teenage girl who was sold as a sex slave by her own parents if we don't have the compassion to help her out of the situation first. A starving child, with his little belly bloated from hunger, is probably not interested in our "faith" until we can solve his food problem. I'm sorry, but in America we've almost become numb to the terrible realities that face a lot of our world. It's almost like something you see in a movie; but you aren't sure it's real. Unfortunately, it is very real. Is our faith strong enough to show up in our works? Or, is our faith empty words that sound good on Sunday but don't help anyone the rest of the week?

If my faith doesn't drive me to want to help people, it is not the kind of faith Jesus wants me to have.

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