

“Authentic Faith (Pt. 1): Explanation”
(#8 in the “Where The Rubber Meets The Road” series)

James 2:14-20

- I. James’ _____ (James 2:14-16)
- a. The _____ (vs. 14)
(Deuteronomy 6:8 – “**And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes.**”)
- i. This should be understood to say, “*Can this type of faith save him?*” (i.e. *faith without _____*)
(Matthew 7:21 – “**Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.**”)
- b. The _____ (vs. 15-16)
- II. James’ _____ (James 2:17-20)
- a. The _____ of the truth (vs. 17)
- i. *Faith that doesn’t produce good works/a changed life is not _____ faith! It’s _____!* (Matthew 7:16a – “**Ye shall know them by their fruits...**”)
(Romans 3:28 – “**Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law.**”)
- ii. James and Paul are both teaching the same thing- their teachings go _____-in- _____!
(Romans 2:13 – “**(For not the hearers of the law are just before God, but the doers of the law shall be justified.)**”)
(Ephesians 2:8-10 – “**⁸ For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: ⁹ Not of works, lest any man should boast. ¹⁰ For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.**”)

(Titus 2:14 – “**Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.**”)
(Titus 3:8 – “**This is a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable unto men.**”)

- b. The _____ for the truth
- i. The _____ (vs. 18)
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- a. Those who only profess saving faith but have no changed life as evidence will be judged on their _____ at the judgment- and found _____! ☹
(Revelation 20:12 – “**And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.**”)
- ii. The _____ (vs. 19)
- a. Mere _____ belief in God doesn’t save a person!
- c. The _____ regarding the truth (vs. 20)
- i. Literally translated, this verse reads, “*Are you willing to acknowledge that faith without works is _____ and _____?*”

* Don’t miss the truth that James is trying to get across here:
_____ faith is NOT _____ faith!