
Studies in the Book of James

False and True Religion (James 1:26-27)

Lesson #4, Sunday, January 27, 2019

I. Review

1. Why is it so important to be swift to hear, slow to speak and slow to wrath?
2. How do we receive the word with “meekness”?
3. We deceive ourselves when we are _____ and not _____.
4. What is the “perfect law of liberty”?

II. Questions:

1. Define “religious”. (v. 26)
2. Define “religion”. (v. 26)
3. What makes a person’s religion vain/useless? (v. 26)
4. How could one who does not bridle his tongue deceive his own heart in thinking he is ok? (v. 26)
5. Pure and undefiled religion is to visit orphans and widows in their affliction. (v. 27)
Define:
 1. Visit
 2. Affliction
6. Several other passages show the importance of the individual’s work in taking care of the needy. Read the following passages and determine what is to be done:

1. 1 Tim. 5:3-16

2. Gal. 6:10

3. Mt. 25:31-46

4. Lk. 10:29-37

7. The church as a collective also has a work. It is to:
 1. Take care of their own needy members. (Acts 4:32-35; 6:1-6)

 2. Help other churches who can not take care of their needy. (Acts 11:27-30; Rom. 15:25-28; 1 Cor. 16:1-3; 2 Cor. 8:4; 9:13)

8. How can we be “spotted” by the world? (v. 27)