



“Divine Answers To Life’s Most Difficult Questions”
The James Code: 03
James 1:18-27

Introduction: Finding Divine Answers To Life’s Most Difficult Questions Comes By Receiving God’s Implanted Word. (James 1:21)

“Receive with meekness the implanted word”

I. Finding Divine Answers To Life’s Most Difficult Questions Requires Us To Believe God’s Word. (James 1:18)

1. Believing God’s Word Means Accepting His Sovereign Will Over Our Lives.
(James 1:18a) *“Of His own **will** He brought us fourth”*

2. Believing God’s Word Requires Us To Be A True Believer. (James 1:18b)
*“He **brought** us forth”*

3. Believing God’s Word Means Believing It Is All True. (James 1:18c)
*“By the word of **truth**”*

4. Believing God’s Word Is Purposeful, Not Just Academic.
*“That we might be a kind of first **fruits** of His creatures”*

II. Finding Divine Answers To Life’s Most Difficult Questions Requires Us To Listen To God’s Word. (James 1:19-20)

1. A Godly Listener Is Someone Who Is Eager To Hear The Word of God. (James 1:19a)
*“Let Every man be **swift** to hear”*

2. A Godly Listener Is Someone Who Hears Eagerly And Speaks Hesitantly.
(James 1:19b) *“Slow to **speak**”*

3. A Godly Listener Is Someone Who Hears The Word Objectively Without Becoming Emotionally Threatened Or Defensive. (James 1:19c-20)
*“Slow to **wrath**”*

III. Finding Divine Answers To Life’s Most Difficult Questions Requires Us To Receive God’s Word. (James 1:21)

1. If You Want To Hungerly Receive God’s Word, Don’t Ruin Your Appetite With Filthy Hands. (James 1:21a)
“Therefore lay aside all filthiness”

2. If You Want To Receive God’s Word, You Can’t Be Filled Up With Ugly Stuff.
(James 1:21b) *“**Overflow** of wickedness”*

3. If You Want To Receive God’s Word, Do So With Meekness. (James 1:21c)
*“Receive with **meekness** the implanted word”*

4. If You Want To Receive God’s Word You Have To Let It Take Root. (James 1:21d)
*“Receive... the **implanted** word”*



IV. Finding Divine Answers To Life's Most Difficult Questions Requires Us To Apply God's Word. (James 1:22-27)

1. Applying God's Word Is Not An Option. (James 1:22a)
*"Be **doers** of the word"*
2. The Fact Is: We Are Flat Out Deceiving Ourselves If We Hear God's Word And Refuse To Apply It. (James 1:22b)
*"Be doers of the word and not hearers only, **deceiving** ourselves"*
3. Refusing To Apply God's Word As A Christian Means You Have "Spiritual Alzheimer's Disease." (James 1:22c-24)
4. Applying God's Word To Our Lives Might Just Make You Happy. (James 1:25)
*"This one will be **blessed**"*

Conclusion: How We Respond To God's Word Is A Test As To Your True Religion. (James 1:26-27)

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