James Theme: Christian Living in Action

Weekly Reading Schedule

- Sunday James 1
- Monday James 2
- ☐ Tuesday James 3
- Wed. James 4
- ☐ Thurs, James 5
- □ Friday James 1-5
- Saturday James 1-5

Memory Verses:

- ★ James 1:2-3
- ★ James 1:12
- ★ James 2:17
- ★ James 2:24
 - James 3:1-2
- James 3:13
- ★ James 4:13-17
- ★ James 5:16

Your choice

Memorable Outline of James

- I. The Basis for Endurance and Work in Pure Religion (Chapter 1)
- II. Faith and Its Esential Companion, Woks (Chapter 2)
- III. The Power of the Tongue and the Need for Wisdom (Chapter 3)
- IV. Miscellaneous Messages of Magnificence (Chapter 4)
- V. Multiple Additions Leading to Last Verse Climax (Chapter 5)

Scheme of Redemption The Redemeed Adorning the Doctrine by Maintaining Good Works

"Not purloining, but shewing all good fidelity; that they may adorn the doctrine of God our Saviour in all things." (2:10)

"And let ours also learn to maintain good works for necessary uses, that they be not unfruitful." (3:14)

What to Look for as You Read

- The similarity of James to Proverbs in the OT
- The vivid relevance of the instructuction
- The simplistic, yet powerful, presentation of truth
- Is is Substantial or "Strawy" in content?

Interesting Facts

- There are 5 chapters, 108 verses, 2,304 words which can be read in about 16 minutes
- The author is James a half-brother to Jesus.
- James was "a pillar" of the church in Jerusalem (Acts 15).
- The book is usually dated between 64 and 68 AD.
- Martin Luther called the book "a strawy epistle" or an epistle of straw.
- The book is addressed to Hebrew Jews outside of Palistine (1:1)
- The book has been called the Proverbs of the NT
- There are about 15 indirect references to the Sermon on the Mount in the Book of James.
- In the Book of James:
 - "Faith" occurs 12 times.
 - "Works" occurs 13 times.
 - "Doer" occurs 5 times

Notes