

Meekness, Mirror and Mission

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James 1:19–27

Reading

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20 for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God.

21 Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

22 But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.

23 For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror.

24 For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like.

25 But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing.

26 If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless.

27 Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.

Prayer

Review

God is Only Good

Shift from how to deal with getting on Mission

Outline

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Mirror v22-24

Mission v25-27

Meekness

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Is Anger a sin? God gets angry!!!

The answer is:

Righteous Anger- Things that are idolity, things that are contrary to our Holy God

Numbers 32:13

13 And the LORD's anger was kindled against Israel, and he made them wander in the wilderness forty years, until all the generation that had done evil in the sight of the LORD was gone.

Jesus in the Temple

Matthew 21:12–13

12 And Jesus entered the temple and drove out all who sold and bought in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money-changers and the seats of those who sold pigeons.

13 He said to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer,' but you make it a den of robbers."

Selfish Anger - Anger because we don't get our felt rights, Things don't go our way: Not about right or wrong it's about ME!

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Proverbs Has a lot to say about anger.... Foolish

Proverbs 29:11

11 A fool gives full vent to his spirit, but a wise man quietly holds it back.

KEY: The only things us fallen sinners have the right to get angry about are those things which angers God!!!! We do not have the right to be presumptuous here!

Ephesians 4:26–27

26 Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger,

27 and give no opportunity to the devil.

This Type of Anger is under control. It is Power Under Control: Meekness

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Quick to Hear! - LISTEN!!!!!! 1st!!!! 2 Eyes 2 Ears 1 MOUTH

Meek: The quality of being meek; softness of temper; mildness; gentleness; forbearance under injuries and provocations

Jordan Peterson Pointed out -Those who have swords and know how to use them but keep them sheathed!

RECEIVE Meekness: Is power and Boldness under control

The Implanted Word! Let the Gospel do its work in your Life!!!!!!
--PUT away Filthiness and rampant wickedness!!!!

WE NEED MEEKNESS:::: WHAT DO WE NEED?

We accomplish THINGS with Meekness:

James 3:13

13 Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom.

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We must take an honest look!

Mirror

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Mirrors were made of pounded out brass or silver. Shined / For the Rich!

Many of us have see Elizabethin aer glass with silver poured over the back!

-Not a perfect image, It was distorted!

James is calling us to be soldiers who obey and follow commands.

-Those who Hear the Word but don't follow and obey!

Behold His Natural Face:

literally, "the countenance of his birth": the face he was born with. As a man may behold his natural face in a mirror, so the hearer may perceive his moral visage in God's Word. This faithful portraiture of man's soul in Scripture, is the strongest proof of the truth of the latter. In it, too, we see mirrored God's glory, as well as our natural vileness.

Jamieson, R., Fausset, A. R., & Brown, D. (1997). Commentary Critical and Explanatory on the Whole Bible (Vol. 2, p. 486). Oak Harbor, WA: Logos Research Systems, Inc.

KNOW who you once were! SINNERS UNSAVED SET FOR HELL

1 Corinthians 6:9-11

9 Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality,

10 nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God.

11 And such were some of you. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

Dont be like those who forget what you are and What God has done!!! GO BACK

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The Gospel Rule of Life!!!! It is both perfect and perfecting in us!

Matthew 5:48

48 You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

1 Peter 1:15–16

15 but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct,

16 since it is written, “You shall be holy, for I am holy.”

This isnt something you can just do! Be Holy!!!!!!

Jesus was Holy for us!

-Placed His righteous on us Clothing us before God

-We are perfect and being perfected!!!!

LAW of Liberty! Love God ., Love your neighbor as yourself.

THIS LAW FREES YOU TO BE A DOER NOT JUST A HEARER!

---Prostitute just forgiven, we are adopted and given a new life....

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Self Sacrifice

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Matthew 5:5

5 “Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

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