

*Living the Word of God*  
*James 1:19-25*



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**JAMES**  
Basic Christian Behavior



# WORKING WISDOM

James



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What will assure the impact  
of the Word on our lives

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*...let every man be  
swift to hear...*



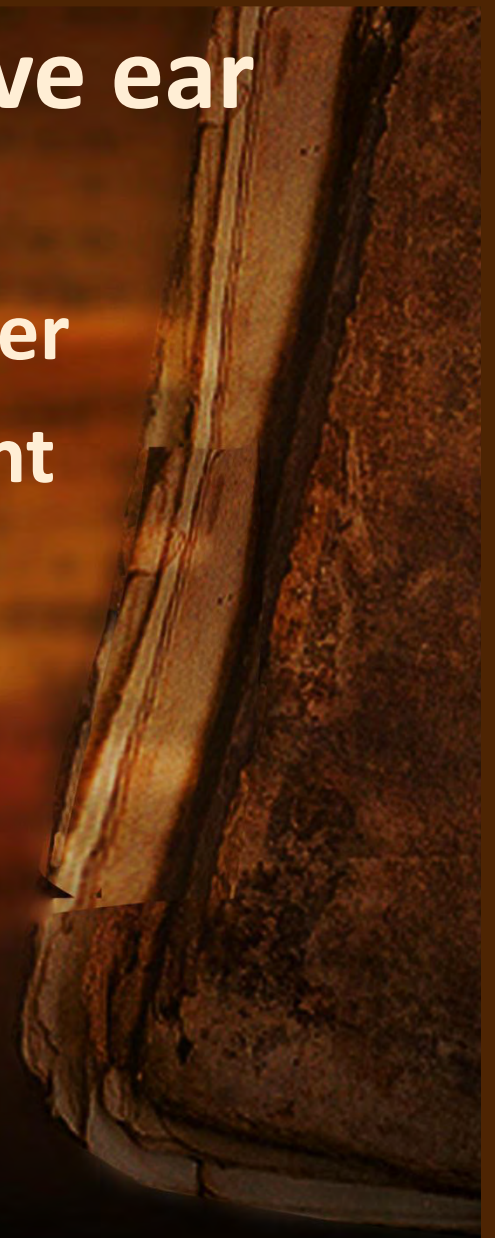
## 1. An attentive ear

Servant to Master  
Mother for Infant

Example:

David

2 Samuel 23:15



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*...let every man be  
slow to speak...*



## 2. A Controlled Mouth

Two Ears – One Mouth  
Speak in mind & mouth

Questioning

Example:

Lawyer

Luke 10:29

*Who is my neighbor?*

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Our Responsibility



## 3. A Controlled Temper

Slow to anger

Anger often focuses on what  
we think is correct

Example:

Naaman

2 Kings 5:11

*Furious*



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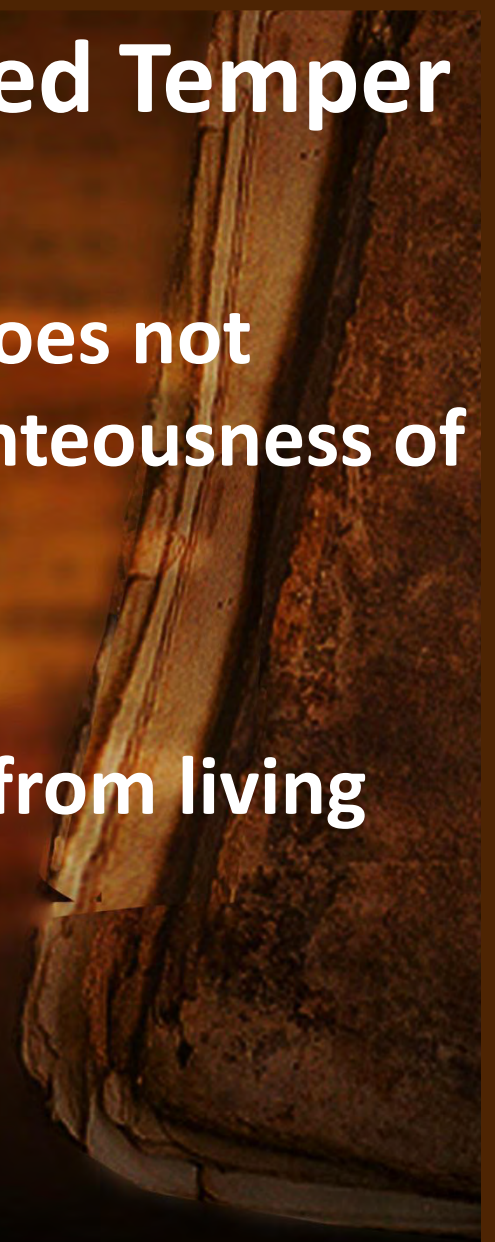
*...let every man be  
slow to wrath...*



## 3. A Controlled Temper

Wrath of man does not  
produce the righteousness of  
God

Anger keeps us from living  
the way of God



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...Therefore lay  
aside all filthiness  
and overflow of  
wickedness...

## 4. Clean heart

Easy to minimize sinfulness  
of sin in our own lives.

Set it off like a shabby or  
filthy garment

Rid of impurities in our lives

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## The Preparation



## 4. Clean heart

*Therefore, laying aside all malice, all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and all evil speaking, as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby,*

*1 Peter 2:1-2*

The background of the slide features a close-up, vertical view of the spine of an antique book. The book is bound in worn, dark brown leather, with visible stitching and the edges of numerous aged, yellowed pages. A soft, warm light emanates from behind the book, creating a gradient of orange and red tones that fills the background. The overall mood is one of history, wisdom, and reverence.

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What will assure the impact  
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The Process

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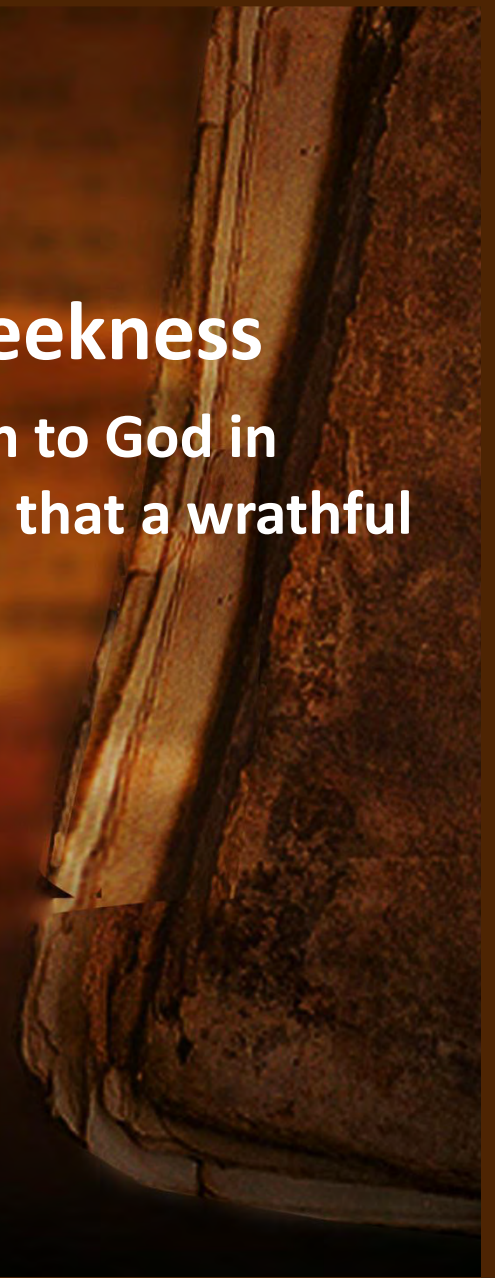
The Process

...and receive with  
meekness the  
implanted word,  
which is able to  
save your souls...

## 1. Humility

**Receive with Meekness**

Humility – submission to God in  
contrast to arrogance that a wrathful  
spirit displays



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The Process

## 1. Humility ?

Do I have a humble  
attitude toward the Word,  
or am I quarrelsome and  
haughty as I approach the  
Scripture?

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The Process

## 1. Humility ?

Do I have a preconceived  
idea of what  
the Word says?

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The Process

## 1. Humility?

Do I approach the Word  
and twist it to mean  
what I want  
(find a verse to justify what  
I already intend to do)?



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## The Process

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## 2. Receive the Word

### The Implanted Word

Parable of the Sower

Matthew 13:1-9; 18-23

#### Four Kinds of Hearts

**Hard** – not understand or receive

**Shallow** – emotional but no depth

**Crowded** - no repentance cares

**Fruitful** – received the word

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## The Process



## 2. Receive the Word The Implanted Word

### Four Kinds of Circumstances

Not letting it be stolen by Satan,

Burned up by trials,

Choked by the cares of life and  
the deceitfulness of wealth.

We accept it and let it grow in us.

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The Process



## 2. Receive the Word The Implanted Word

**It will Save your Soul**

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The Process vs. 22

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

## 2. Do the Word

### Continually be doers

The focus is on the person not on an  
act to be done.

Example:

What must I do to inherit eternal life.

Luke 10:25

Wise and Foolish Men  
Difference was Doing

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The Process vs.23-24

...he is like a man  
observing his  
natural face in a  
mirror; <sup>24</sup> for he  
observes himself,  
goes away, and  
immediately  
forgets what kind  
of man he was.....

## 2. Do the Word

### Looking into a Mirror



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The Process vs.25

...But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues *in it*, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does

## 2. Do the Word

Perfect Law of Liberty





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***Just live it.***

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

*James 1:22 (New King James Version)*