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**Be Doers of the Word, Not Hearers Only**

**Introduction:**

**James 1:21–27**

**I. Preparing to Receive the Word (v.21)**

- A. Remove what hinders (moral filth, evil)
- B. Receive the Word with humility
- C. Understand the Word's power to save

**Discussion Questions:**

- What “moral filth” might James be referring to in your context today?
- What does it look like to “humbly accept” the Word?

**II. Responding to the Word (vv.22–25)**

- A. Hearing without doing leads to self-deception (v.22)
- B. The mirror analogy (vv.23–24)
  - Hearer forgets their reflection
  - Doer remembers and changes
- C. Blessing comes through obedience (v.25)
  - Looking intently into the perfect law
  - Continual action, not forgetfulness

**Discussion Questions:**

- Why do you think James uses the mirror analogy?
- What does “looking intently” into the law mean practically?

**III. The Test of True Religion (vv.26–27)**

- A. Watch your words (v.26)
  - Tongue as a reflection of inner character
  - Self-deception in empty religion
- B. Pure and faultless religion (v.27)
  - Care for the vulnerable (orphans and widows)
  - Remain unpolluted by the world

**Discussion Questions:**

- How do our words reveal the condition of our faith?
- How can we practice “pure religion” in our community?

**Application & Reflection**

- Am I regularly applying God's Word or merely listening?
- What specific steps can I take this week to live out my faith?
- How can I care for the vulnerable or resist worldly corruption today?