

Real Faith Gets to See God Work

James 5:13-20 (NIV)

What does REAL FAITH look like? A review of the book of James

- Respond rightly to trials 1:1-12
- Respond rightly to temptation 1:13-18
- Don't just hear but obey the Word 1:19-25
- Care for the marginalized and commit to staying pure 1:26-27
- Treat others equally 2:1-13
- Live a life of compassion and obedience 2:14-26
- Rein in your speech 3:1-12
- Make wise life choices 3:13-18
- Choose God's friendship over the world's 4:1-10
- Refuse to tear down others 4:11-12
- Trust God's sovereignty over the future 4:13-17
- Fight against injustice 5:1-6
- Patiently remain steadfast in the face of mistreatment 5:7-12

James 5:13-20 Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. ¹⁴Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵ And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven. ¹⁶ Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective. ¹⁷ Elijah was a human being, even as we are. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years. ¹⁸ Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops. ¹⁹ My brothers and sisters, if one of you should wander from the truth and someone should bring that person back, ²⁰ remember this: Whoever turns a sinner from the error of their way will save them from death and cover over a multitude of sins

We get to see God work through our prayers:

- a. In our trouble
- b. In our joy
- c. In our sickness
- d. In our sin

We get to see God work through our care for wanderers

- a. We must watch for wanderers
- b. We must bring wanderers home
- c. God saves and forgives

We get to see God do amazing things at New Life!