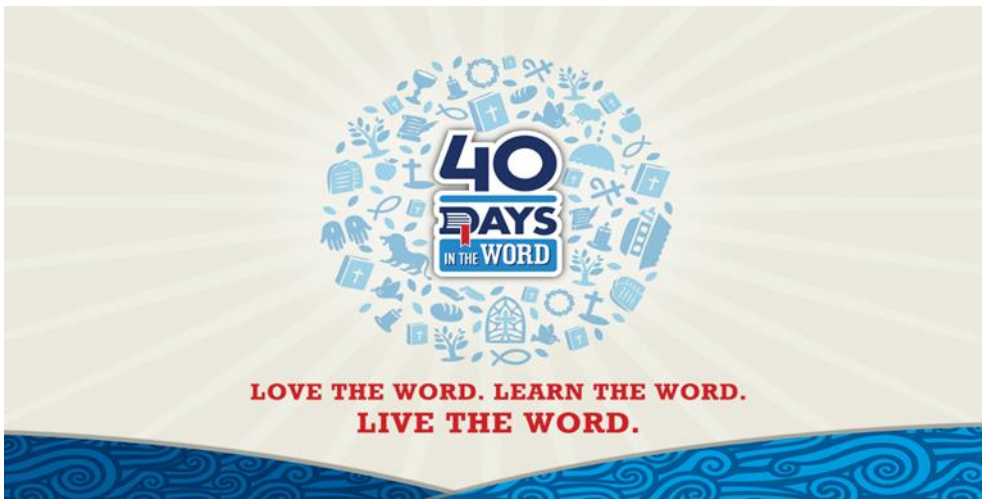


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BIBLE READING	James 1:19-25
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40 Days in the Word: Campaign Launch Building my life on the Bible James 1:19-25

1. The _____ of the Bible.
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6. The _____ of the Bible.

"Everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like that wise man who built his house on the rock." Matthew 7:24 NIV

HOW DO I BUILD MY LIFE ON THE BIBLE?

1. I receive it with my _____.

"Faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the Word of Christ." Romans 10:17 NIV

"Everyone should be QUICK TO LISTEN, slow to speak and slow to become angry, for man's anger does not bring about the righteous life that God desires. Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly ACCEPT THE WORD planted in you, which can save you." James 1:19-21 NIV

1. I must be _____ . *"Be quick to listen and slow to speak"*
2. I've got to be _____ . *"...and slow to become angry..."*
3. I need to be _____ . *"...get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent..."*
4. I need to be _____ . *"...humbly accept the Word planted in you which can save you."*

2. I read it with my _____.

"Do not merely listen to the Word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. Anyone who listens to the Word but does not do what it says is like a man who looks at his face in a mirror and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like! But the man who LOOKS INTENTLY into the perfect law that gives freedom, and CONTINUES to do this, NOT FORGETTING what he has heard, but DOING IT—he will be blessed in what he does." James 1:22-25 NIV

3. I research it with my _____ and my _____.

“You search the Scriptures because you believe they give you eternal life. And the Scriptures point to me!” John 5:39 NLT

“The people of Berea were more open-minded than those in Thessalonica, and they listened eagerly to Paul’s message. They searched the Scriptures day after day to check up on Paul and Silas, to see if they were really teaching the truth.”

Acts 17:11 NLT

4. I review and remember with my _____.

“The man who looks intently into the perfect law...and CONTINUES to do this, NOT FORGETTING what he has heard but doing it, he will be blessed in what he does.”

James 1:25 NIV

“Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.” Joshua 1:8 NIV

5. I respond to it with my _____.

“Do not merely listen to the Word, and so deceive yourselves. DO what it says!”

James 1:22 NIV

“Everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. BUT everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash.” Matthew 7:24-27 NIV



SMALL GROUP SERMON DISCUSSION

Over the next six weeks, we’ll learn to love God’s Word with our hearts, to learn God’s Word with our minds, and to live God’s Word with our souls. As we do, we’ll be building our lives on the foundation Jesus refers to in Matthew 7:24-27, when only the house built on the rock remained standing after a wild storm. God gave us five senses for a reason. James tells us we receive the Word with our ears, we read his Word with our eyes, we research it with our hands and mouths through small group study, we review and remember it with our minds by meditating on it, and we respond to his Word with our actions. In preparation for 40 Days in the Word, let’s talk about how to build our lives on the Bible.

1. **What does it say?** One of you read aloud Matthew 7:24-27. What does this passage say will happen if we allow God’s Word to be the foundation of our lives?
2. James 1:19-25 contains key thoughts on how to build your life on the Bible. Read this passage silently to yourself and choose a word or phrase that stands out to you. Explain your choice.
3. **What does it mean?** Look through James 1:19-25 again. Write down the action words in the passage. How can these actions be used to study the Bible in more depth?
4. What does it mean to be blessed?
5. **What do I do?** Studying the Bible is key to successful living. Reflect on your relationship with the Bible and share with your group. What changes do you need to make?
6. Share a time when God’s Word kept you strong through a difficult season. Agree that studying the Bible gives you a firm foundation to weather the storms of life.
7. We only believe the parts of the Word that we do. What part will you believe this week?



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