



## LISTENING GUIDE

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### **Faith That Works**

*James 2:14-26*

As we continue our study of the Book of James in a sermon series called *Faith Under Pressure*, we come to a passage that speaks to the relationship between faith and works, and the necessity of works to demonstrate the presence of true, saving faith. Specifically, in this passage James discusses three different kinds of faith to highlight a *faith that works*.

Notice...

#### I. A \_\_\_\_\_ Faith (vv.14-17)

- Do not confuse James's teaching here with a works-based salvation.
- James simply confirmed that a believer's *identity* precedes his/her \_\_\_\_\_!
- James teaches about a specific kind of faith in v.14: "*Can **that faith** save him?*"

#### II. A \_\_\_\_\_ Faith (vv.18-19)

- **The Warning:** belief in the existence of God does not necessarily mean that one has a true, saving faith!
- Even \_\_\_\_\_ believe things about God, Jesus, and judgment!
  - See *Mark 3:11-12; Luke 8:31; and Matthew 8:28-29*

#### III. A \_\_\_\_\_ Faith (vv.20-26)

- This is a *faith that works* because it effects the whole person:
  1. The \_\_\_\_\_ understands the truth of God.
  2. The \_\_\_\_\_ desires the truth of God.
  3. The \_\_\_\_\_ acts upon the truth of God.