



Discussion Guide: Genuine Faith vs. Counterfeit Faith

Passage: James 2:14-26

Summary: James has already taught that when we receive wisdom from God and genuinely trust Him, it will change our actions. Genuine faith always leads to obedience. While we are saved by faith in God alone...not by our works...that faith never remains alone, but always leads to a transformed life.

Discussion Questions

1. What was the main point of this passage?
2. What is the Spirit drawing your attention to in the passage?
3. What does this reveal about who God is and what He has done or is doing?
4. What does this reveal about who we are and what we are to do?
5. Take a moment to examine your faith by honestly assessing the fruit, which is your obedience to Jesus. Is it genuine, living faith that is at work in you and is changing you?
6. The answer to dead faith or weak faith is not to try harder to obey. We need to remind ourselves of the gospel of Jesus Christ, which is able to both give life to the dead and to strengthen the weak. Take a moment to recall the good news of what Jesus Christ has done for you and why He did this for you.

Take some time to pray for one another and for the Spirit's help in your life.