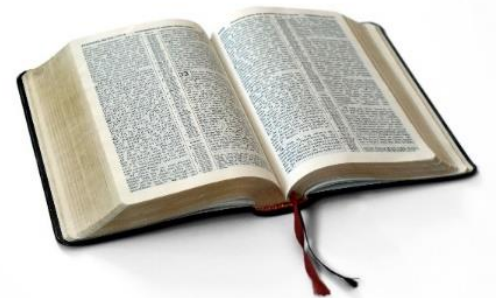




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Is Your
Faith
Really
Yours?
James 1:23-27

THE FAITH OF MANY...

- BASED UPON ORGANIZATION – THEY THINK AND ACT BASED UPON A PARTICULAR GROUP
- BASED UPON FAMILY – THEY THINK AND ACT BASED UPON WHAT THEIR FAMILY HANDED DOWN TO THEM
- BASED UPON SOCIAL RELATIONS – THEY THINK AND ACT BASED UPON A SET OF FRIENDS OR ASSOC.

A FAITH THAT IS NOT MINE...

- IS NOT MEANINGFUL
- IS NOT ENJOYABLE
- IS NOT WHOLE-HEARTED
- IS EASILY DISCARDED (JUDGES 2:8-12)

A PERSONAL FAITH

- TAUGHT BY THE PARENTS
- TAUGHT IN BIBLE CLASSES
- ENCOURAGED AND DEVELOPED IN THE LOCAL CHURCH (ACTIVE YOUNG PEOPLE)

A PERSONAL FAITH

- READ YOUR BIBLE LOOKING FOR THE “ME,” “MY,” “MINE,” AND “I” PASSAGES (PSA. 35:23; JN. 20:28)

OLD TESTAMENT EXAMPLES

- JOSEPH (GEN. 39:7-9) / JACOB (GEN. 48:15)
- MOSES (HEB. 11:24-28; NOTE V. 16)
- DAVID (PSALM 23)
- DANIEL AND FRIENDS (DAN. 1; 3; 6)

NEW TESTAMENT EXAMPLES

- JESUS (LK. 2:52)
- JEW (MT. 23:37-38)
- PAUL (PHIL. 3:13-15)
- TIMOTHY (1 TIM. 4:7, 15-16; 5:22; 2 TIM. 1:5; 2:15)

MAKE IT YOURS...

- READ YOUR OWN BIBLE AND DRAW YOUR OWN CONCLUSIONS FROM THE EVIDENCE YOU HAVE GATHERED (1 PET. 3:15)
- PRACTICE YOUR OWN FAITH WITHOUT BEING TOLD OR ENCOURAGED BY OTHERS