



Sermon



Peter Rabbit





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John 5:19

THE FATHER DEFINED JESUS' REALITY

'This is my son, whom I love; with Him I am well pleased'

Mark 3:17

'Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done.'

Luke 22:42

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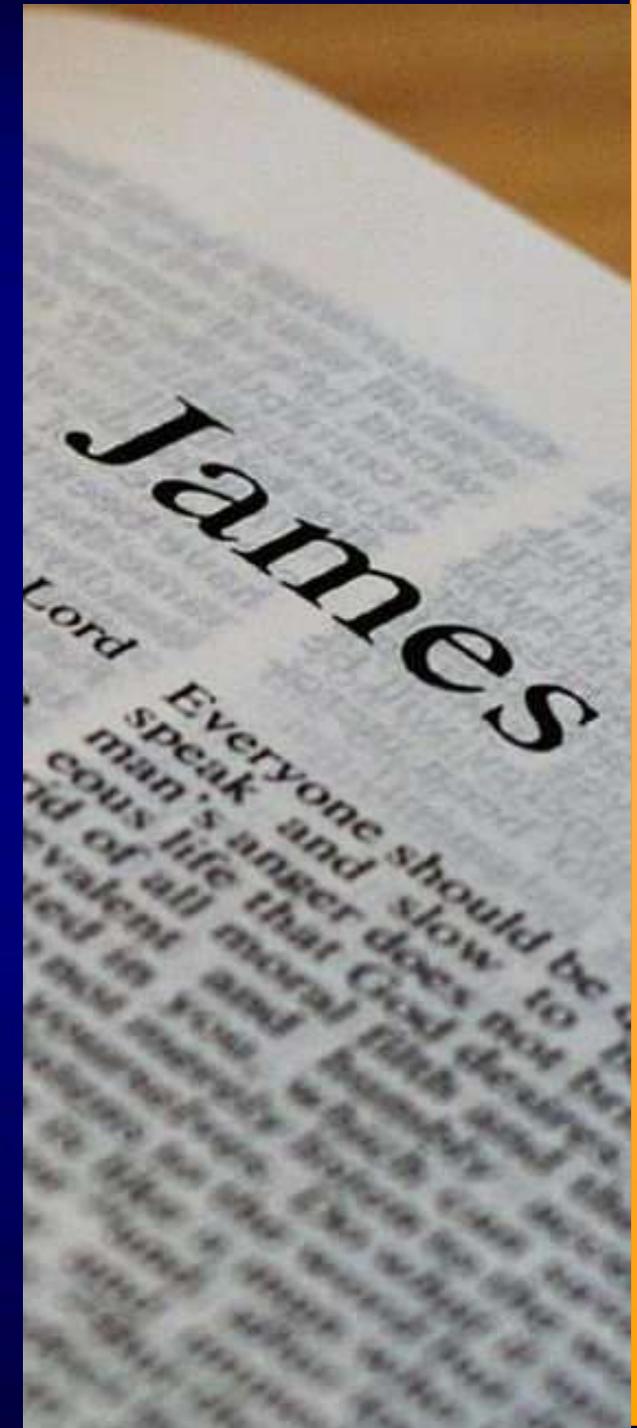
SPIRITUAL MATURITY

‘James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ...’

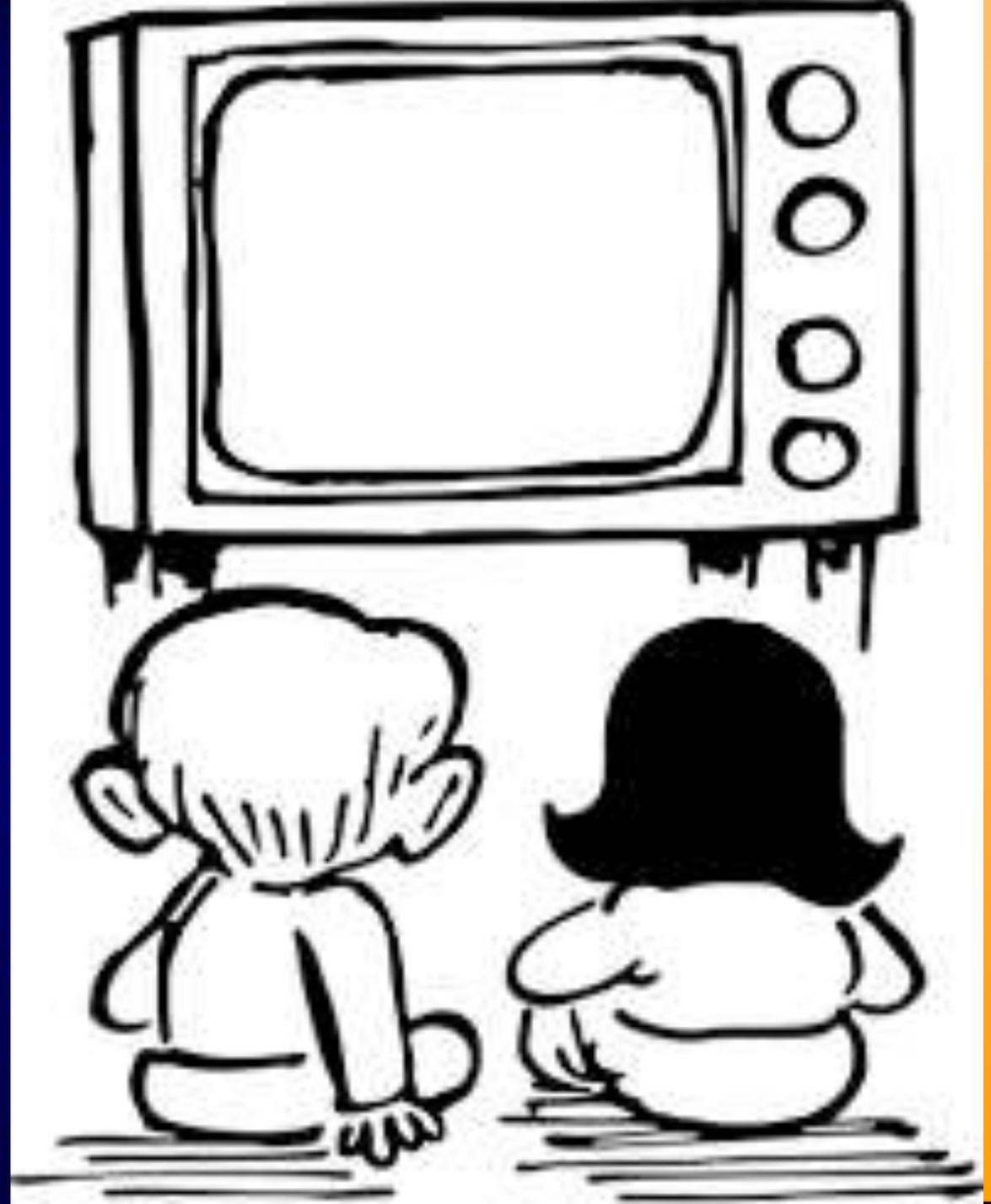
James 1:1

‘My brothers and sisters, believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ must not show favouritism.’

James 2:1

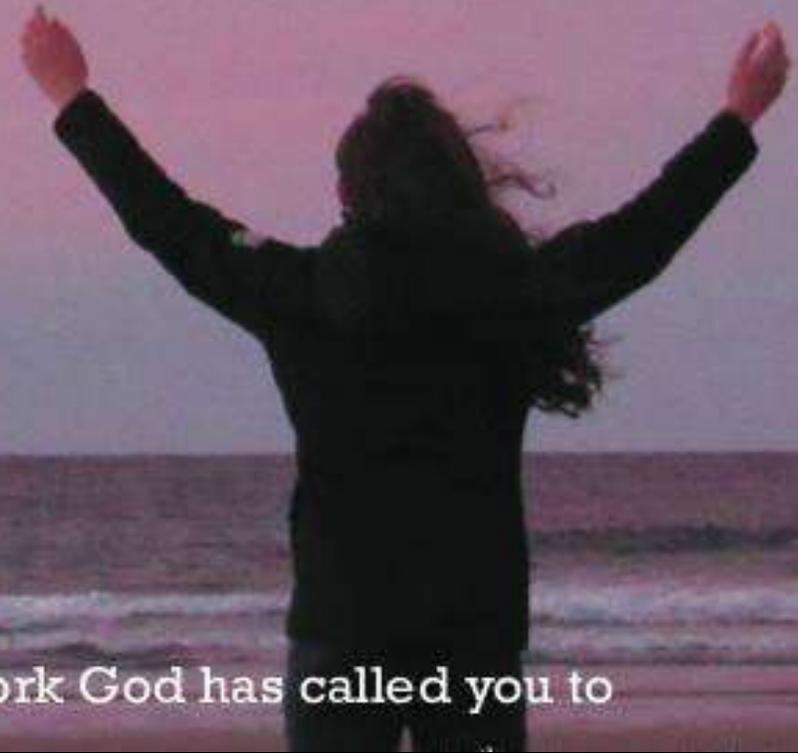


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PATIENCE IN SUFFERING

‘Brothers and sisters, as an example of patience in the face of suffering, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord. As you know, we count as blessed those who have persevered. You have heard of Job’s perseverance and have seen what the Lord finally brought about. The Lord is full of compassion and mercy.’

(James 5:10-11)

HONOURING THE PERSON OF GOD

‘Above all, my brothers and sisters, do not swear – not by heaven or by earth or by anything else. All you need to say is a simple ‘Yes’ or ‘No’. Otherwise you will be condemned.’

(James 5:12)

PRAYER IN ALL CIRCUMSTANCES

‘Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise.’

(James 5:13)

‘Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights...’

(James 1:17)

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‘We should view prayer as [a] revolutionary tactic, not a passive resignation to a situation. In prayer, we enlist the aid and ear of “the Lord of Hosts” [“the Lord Almighty”] (if we recall James 5:4)...’

(Craig Blomberg, James)



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‘...pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord.’

(James 5:14)

‘...the Lord will raise them up’

(James 5:15)

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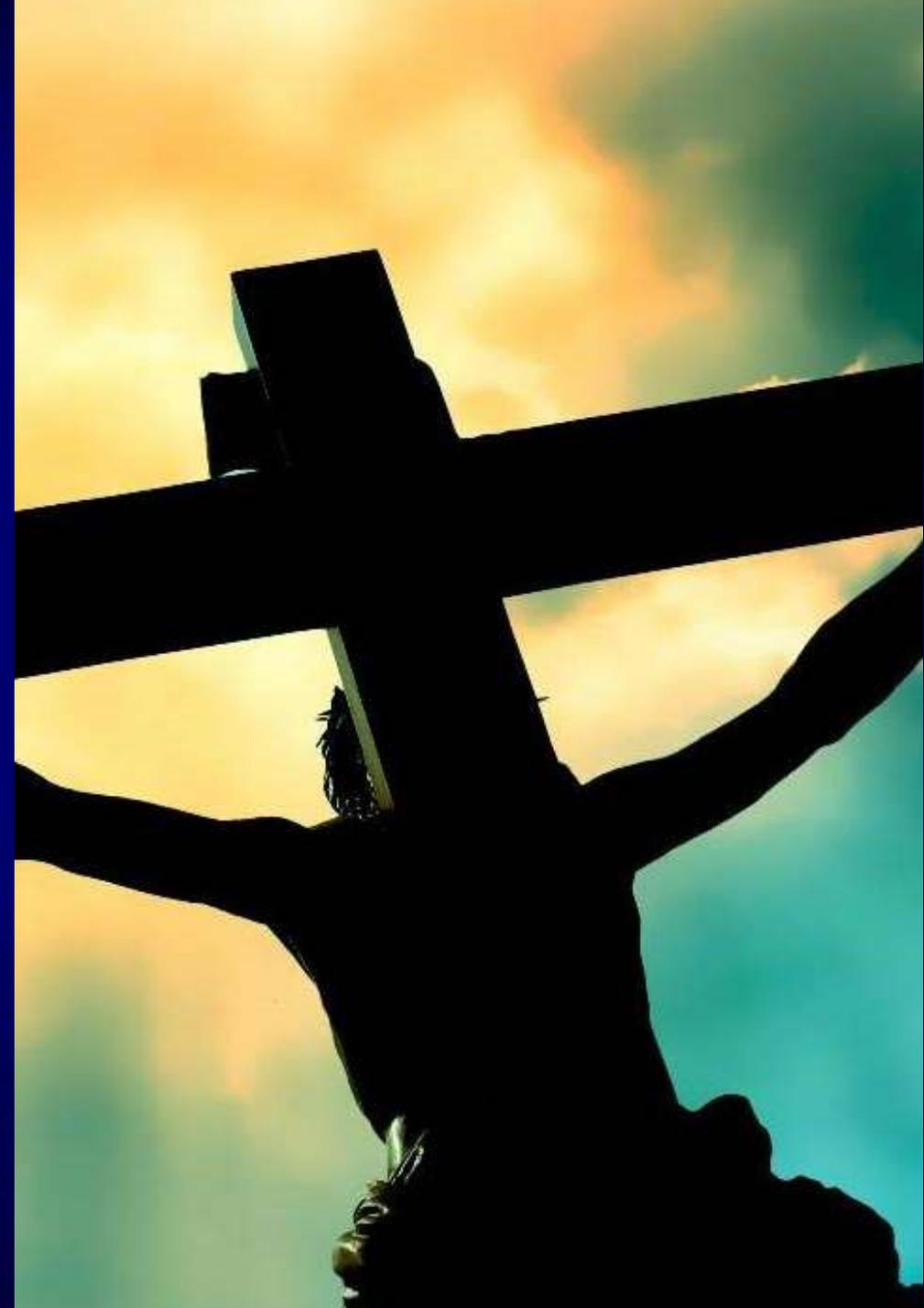
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‘...a human being, even as we are.’

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THE PERIL OF SIN

**‘If they have sinned, they will be forgiven.
Therefore confess your sins to each other and
pray for each other so that you may be
healed...’**

(James 5:15-16)

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‘My brothers and sisters, if one of you should wander from the truth and someone should bring that person back, remember this: whoever turns a sinner from the error of their way will save them from death and cover over a multitude of sins.’ (James 5:29-30)

Living in the reality of God...

patience in suffering
honouring the person of God
prayer in all circumstances
peril of sin

