

Just Do It

How to Be Doers of the Word

James 1:19-25 NIV

My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, because human anger does not produce the righteousness 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.

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 someone who looks at his face in a mirror and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do.

A PROPER RECEPTION OF THE WORD

James 1:19 NIV

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A Committed Ear

Everyone should be quick to listen

Hebrews 5:11 NIV

We have much to say about this, but it is hard to make it clear to you because you no longer try to understand.

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2 Timothy 4:3-4 NIV

For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths.

A **Controlled** Tongue

Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak.

*If you are quick to speak, you are not **listening**.*

Proverbs 17:27 NIV

The one who has knowledge uses words with restraint, and whoever has understanding is even-tempered.

“God gave you two ears and one mouth, therefore you ought to listen twice as much as you speak.” Zeno

A **Calm** Spirit

...slow to become angry

THUMOS (thoo mos), an explosive outrage.

ORGE (or gay) an inner resentment that seethes and smolders.

James 1:20 NIV

“because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires.”

Galatians 4:16 NIV

Have I now become your enemy by telling you the truth?

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A Clean Heart

James 1:21 NIV

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.

A PROPER REACTION TO THE WORD

James 1:22 NIV

Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.

Exhortation

1 John 2:3 NIV

We know that we have come to know him if we keep his commands.

1 John 2: 4 NIV

Whoever says, “I know him,” but does not do what he commands is a liar, and the truth is not in that person.

Illustration

James 1:23-24 NIV

Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like.

James 1:25 NIV

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