

# James, the Great Myth-Buster

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James 2:14-16

*Read James 2:14-26*

*Read James 1:2*

## Myth #1 - Trials Are Bad

- A.) Trials Are the Way to Maturity.
- B.) Trials Cause Us to Depend on God.
- C.) Trials are Part of God's Good Purposes.

*"I walked a mile with Pleasure; She chatted all the way; But left me none the wiser For all she had to say. I walked a mile with Sorrow; And ne'er a word said she; But, oh! The things I learned from her, When Sorrow walked with me" — Robert Browning Hamilton*

## Myth #2 - Faith Is What I Think

- A.) Faith is What You Think and What You Do

*Read James 1:22*

- B.) If You Break Any Law of God's, It's As If You Have Broken Them All

- C.) A Faith, That Isn't Acted Out is Dead

*John 3:16*

*"For God so greatly loved and dearly prized the world that He [even] gave up His only begotten (unique) Son, so that whoever believes in (trusts in, clings to, relies on) Him shall not perish (come to destruction, be lost) but have eternal (everlasting) life." —John 3:16, Amplified Study Bible*

### **Myth #3 - Religion Is a Private Matter**

A.) Selfishness is at the Root of their Division

B.) Selfishness Should Give Way to Humble Submission to God

*Read James 4:7-10*

*Read James 4:13-15*

*Read James 3:17-18*

C.) We Show Much About our Relationship with God, By Our Relationships with Other People