James 1:22-27 — Our Response to God's Word

22 But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. **23** For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. **24** For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. **25** But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing. **26** If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless. **27** Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.

Quotes

"Too many Christians mark their Bibles, but their Bibles never mark them." -Warren Wiersbe

"Religion means the outward practice or service of a god. Pure religion means practicing God's Word & sharing it with others through speech, service, & separation from the world." -Warren Wiersbe on Religion

Notes from the message:		

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Scriptures about being blessed when obeying God's Word: Psalm 1; Psalm 119; James 1:25; John 13:27; Matt 7:24-27; Deut 11; Prov 16:3

What stands out to you in these sections of scripture?
Why do you think we are blessed when we obey God's Word?
Scriptures about God's love: Romans 8:31-39; 1 Cor 13:4-8; 1 John 3:1-3; Eph 5:1-2; John 15:9-17; 1 John 4:9; Gal 4:6-7; Deut 10:12-13; 1 John 4:19
What stands out to you in these scriptures?
Why do you think God loves you so much?
How in your life has God loved you like a parent?

James 1:22-27 — Application

In what areas of scripture are you listening and not obeying?
How have you seen God bless others when they have obeyed His Word?
How have you seen God bless you when you have obeyed His Word?
Why do you think is is so important to obey God's Word in your life?
"Be a Doer!" What can you do in your life to apply this principle?

James 1:22-27 — Prayer Requests

Psalm 119:15-18

15 I will meditate on your precepts and fix my eyes on your ways.16 I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word. 17 Deal bountifully with your servant, that I may live and keep your word. 18 Open my eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of your law.

Prayer Ideas:

Give thanks to God for His perfect Word He has given you
Ask God to show you how much He loves you
Ask God to give you a humble heart to accept His Word
Ask God to help you apply the messages you learn at Redemption Church
Ask God to help you "be a doer" of His Word

Prayer Requests from your community group	
Answered Prayer Requests	