

James 1:21-25 HCSB

Therefore, ridding yourselves of all moral filth and evil excess, humbly receive the implanted word, which is able to save you. But be doers of the word and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.

Because if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man looking at his own face in a mirror; for he looks at himself, goes away, and right away forgets what kind of man he was. But the one who looks intently into the perfect law of freedom and perseveres in it, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer who acts--this person will be blessed in what he does.





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"The sincere eager desire for God's word is one of the surest marks of a true child of God. When blessed, he turns to the word for passages of thanksgiving and comfort. When troubled, he searches the word for comfort and strength. In times of confusion he turns to the word to find wisdom and guidance. When tempted, he searches God's standards of purity for power to resist. The word will become our most welcome friend, not only for what it delivers us from, but also because of what it delivers us to – glorious, intimate, and loving communion with our Heavenly Lord." - John Macarthur



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I. I Must Prepare My Heart

1 Peter 2:1-2



Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind. Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation.

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II. I Must Receive God's Word

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III. I Must Examine My Life The Forgetful Hearer

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III. I Must Examine My Life The Faithful Doer

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III. I Must Examine My Life

- Is there a promise to claim?

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III. I Must Examine My Life

- Is there a lesson to learn?

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III. I Must Examine My Life

- Is there a blessing to enjoy?

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III. I Must Examine My Life

- Is there a command to obey?

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III. I Must Examine My Life

- Is there a sin to avoid?

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III. I Must Examine My Life

- Is there a wonderful thought about the Lord?

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IV. I Must Activate God's Truth

1 John 3:10



This is how we know who the children of God are and who the children of the devil are: Anyone who does not do what is right is not a child of God.

"Read it to be wise, believe it to be safe, practice it to be holy. It contains light to direct you, food to support you, and comfort to cheer you. It is the traveler's map, the pilgrim's staff, the pilot's compass, the soldier's sword, and the Christian's character. Here paradise is restored, heaven opened, and the gates of hell disclosed. Christ is its grand subject, our good its design, and the glory of God its end. It should fill the memory, rule the heart, and guide the feet. Read it slowly, frequently, prayerfully. It is a mine of wealth, a paradise of glory, and a river of pleasure."

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