

## Justification by Works

James 2:14-26

### Outline - Review

#### I. Responding to Trials – Count it all Joy! 1:1-18

#### II. Be Swift to Hear

A. Which is more than just listening (1:19-27)

B. Which is more than just morality (2:1-13)

C. Which is more than \_\_\_\_\_ !

#### 1. What kind of faith is James condemning?

Faith \_\_\_\_\_

Fundamental Question?

#### 2. What is the illustration that he uses to prove his point?

\_\_\_\_\_ “brother” or “sister”

Thus, faith by itself is \_\_\_\_\_

#### 3. What is the assumed objection that would be raised?

It's \_\_\_\_\_ to show a \_\_\_\_\_  
between faith and works! v.18-19

1.

2.

3.

#### 4. The Answer – the 2 Illustrations

1.

2.

3.

#### Application:

*“Asleep In The Light”* by Keith Green

Do you see, do you see, all the people sinking down,  
Don't you care, don't you care, are you gonna let them drown,  
How can you be so numb, not to care if they come,  
You close your eyes and pretend the job's done.

“Oh Bless me Lord, bless me Lord”, you know it's all I ever hear,  
No one aches, no one hurts, no one even sheds one tear,  
But He cries, He weeps, He bleeds, and He cares for your needs,  
And you just lay back and keep soaking it in, oh, can't you see it's such sin?

Cause He brings people to your door,  
And you turn them away, as you smile and say,  
“**God bless you, be at peace,**” and all Heaven just weeps,  
Cause Jesus came to your door, you've left Him out on the streets.

Open up, open up, and give yourself away,  
You've seen the need, you hear the cry, so how can you delay,  
God's calling and you're the one, but like Jonah you run,  
He's told you to speak, but you keep holding it in,  
Oh, can't you see it's such sin?

The world is sleeping in the dark,  
That the church can't fight, cause it's asleep in the light,  
How can you be so dead, when you've been so well fed,  
Jesus rose from the grave, and you, you can't even get out of bed,  
Oh, Jesus rose from the dead, come on, get out of your bed.

How can you be so numb, not to care if they come,  
You close your eyes and pretend the job's done,  
You close your eyes and pretend the job's done,  
Don't close your eyes, don't pretend the job's done.  
Come away, come away, come away with Me, My love,  
Come away, from this mess, come away with Me, My love.

#### Homework: 3:1-12

1. What's the point of the first 2 illustrations re: the tongue?
2. What new element is introduced in the third illustration?
3. What is the contrast given in verses 7-8?
4. What's the point of the image in verses 9-12?
5. If no one can tame his/her tongue, then how are we to blame?