

*But someone will say, “You have faith and I have works.” Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works. (James 2:18, ESV)*

## Verse of the Month

*“So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.” (1 Corinthians 13:13, ESV)*

## James

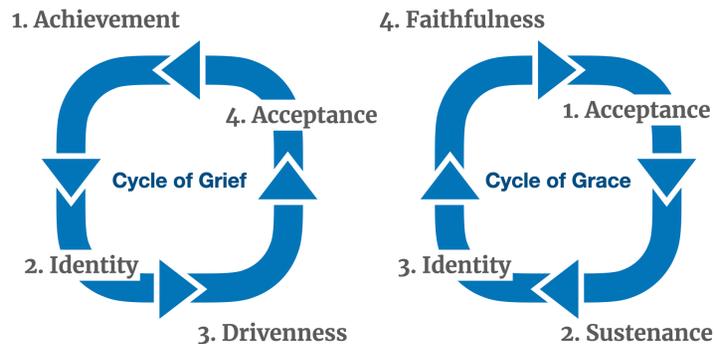
Who was James and why is his testimony important?

*James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ ... (James 1:1, ESV)*

The Book of James is sometimes described as the \_\_\_\_\_ of the New Testament.

## Cycles of Grief and Grace

*What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, and one of you says to them, “Go in peace, be warmed and filled,” without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead. (James 2:14–17, ESV)*



\_\_\_\_\_ do not prove you are a Christian.

*You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe—and shudder! Do you want to be shown, you foolish person, that faith apart from works is useless? (James 2:19–20, ESV)*

	Good, Kind, Generous	Apathetic, Immoral, Self-serving
Without Faith	Yes	Yes
With Faith	Yes	No

## Living Upside-down Focus

- 1) Jobs (tasks)
- 2) Relationships (that serve us)
- 3) God (if we have time)

- 1) Lifestyle
- 2) Debt
- 3) Saving
- 4) Giving

## Reflection

1. What is one take-a-way from this message that stood out for me?
2. What is one action I can take in response to this message?
3. Who will I share my learnings with?
4. Any additional thoughts?

You are invited to share your reflections in comments on Facebook & Youtube.

## News & Updates

**Pastor Appreciation Sunday:** Join us for a coffee hour after worship today to show our appreciation to Pastor Phil.

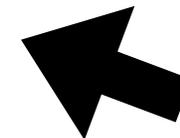
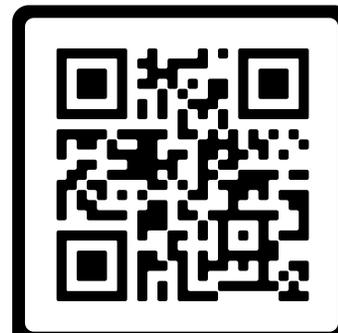
**Harvest Fest Today:** Today is Harvest Fest. It all starts at 5pm. Join us as a volunteer to help welcome families from our preschool and community.

**Blood Drive Next Sunday:** There is a critical blood shortage. Prayerfully consider donating next Sunday.

**Pie Orders:** Good Shepherd Children's Center is taking orders for pies for Thanksgiving. Download an order form on today's Ministry Update.

**New Member Orientation:** Scheduled for November 20 at 8am. Registration will begin next weekend.

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