James

Thoughtful Grace and Trinity Grace Bible Study

March 18, 2026 – May 20, 2026

James, the epistle attributed to James the brother of Jesus, examines how genuine faith produces a life of obedience to God's Word amid trials. Echoing Jesus' Sermon on the Mount and Israel's wisdom traditions, James calls believers to live their God given faith through works, wisdom, and humility—transforming trials into maturity, resisting temptation, taming the tongue, rejecting partiality, and pursuing justice until restoration in the Kingdom of God. ***James is Jesus-shaped wisdom for scattered, pressured believers.***

March 18, 2026 – Greeting and Joy in Trials (James 1:1-4)

Key verse: "Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds" (James 1:2).

Main point: Trials produce steadfast endurance leading to maturity in faith.

March 25, 2026 – Wisdom and Steadfastness (James 1:5-8)

Key verse: "If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously" (James 1:5).

Main point: Single-hearted prayer for wisdom overcomes doubt and builds perseverance.

No Bible Study April 1 and 8

April 15, 2026 – Temptation's Source (James 1:13-18)

Key verse: "Let no one say... 'I am being tempted by God'... Each person is tempted when he is lured by his own desire" (James 1:13-14, ESV).

Main point: Sin arises from internal desire, not God, progressing to spiritual death.

April 22, 2026 – Hearing and Doing the Word (James 1:19-27)

Key verse: "Be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves" (James 1:22).

Main point: True obedience to the implanted word defines pure religion.

April 29, 2026 – No Partiality, Royal Law (James 2:1-13)

Key verse: "If you really fulfill the royal law... you are doing well" (James 2:8).

Main point: Faith shows no favoritism, fulfilling the law through neighbor love.

May 6, 2026 – Faith and Works United (James 2:14-26)
Key verse: "A person is justified by works and not by faith alone" (James 2:24).
Main point: Genuine faith is evidenced by works, as in Abraham's obedience.

May 13, 2026 – Taming the Tongue, True Wisdom (James 3:1-18)
Key verse: "Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show... wisdom from above" (James 3:13).
Main point: Godly wisdom is peaceable, controlling the unruly tongue.

May 20, 2026 – Worldliness, Patience, Prayer (James 4:1-5:20)
Key verse: "Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you" (James 4:8).
Main point: Humility, patience amid trials, and fervent prayer combat worldliness and restore the wandering.