



11 -WEEK STUDY IN THE BOOK OF JAMES

WEEK 3

“Listen”

James 1:13-25

WEEKLY READING

Primary text from this week: James 1:13-25

Secondary text from this week: Philippians 2:3-8

GETTING STARTED

Goals for this session: To put into practice James' instructions to be "quick to listen and slow to speak"

Missed the sermon? Watch it at www.youtube.com/venturamissionary

Break the Ice: Share a time you said something to a friend or family member that you later regretted.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Read James **1:13-17** and answer the following questions:

What does **verse 14** tell us about the origin of temptation?

Now read **Genesis 3:1-13**. Who does Adam blame for his sin (verse 12)? Who does Eve blame for her sin (verse 13)? Who does the serpent blame (verse 4)?

What does **James 1:15** tell us about the inevitable effects of sin in our lives?

2. Pastor Doug primarily talked about **James 1:19-20** in this week's message. On a scale of 1-10, how are you at being *quick to listen and slow to speak*?
3. Who are some of the people (or groups of people) that you have the most trouble being *quick to listen and slow to speak* with? Why do you think that is?
4. Andy Stanley said in a sermon that "you can win the argument and lose the relationship." Have you ever witnessed this in your life? Explain.
5. Read Philippians 2:3-8. What stands out to you about how Jesus came to earth and the position He took? How does this fit with what we read this week in James?
6. What was one thing that resonated with you as you listened to Pastor Doug's message?

PRAY

Pray on your own: Pray that you would be reminded of God's grace this week as you interact with others.

ACTION STEPS

This week, when you are about to respond, rant, post, react, or argue...

Step 2: Silently say the words, “be quick to listen and slow to speak”

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