

Saint James The Just, Apostle, 1st Bishop Jerusalem, Martyr (died c 62 AD)



<https://crossexamined.org/wrote-letter-james/>

"Be ye doers of The Word, and not hearers only!"

<https://www.catholic.com/encyclopedia/epistle-of-saint-james>

"The Law of GOD is The Word of GOD. It is The Word of Truth. It gives us new life and shapes us into the people we were truly meant to be: the firstfruits, in CHRIST, of the new creation. Let us give thanks for so great a Gift of [re]creative Love" at The Cross. *

The Christian corporal (physical) and spiritual Works of Mercy: "feed the hungry; give drink to the thirsty; clothe the naked; harbor the harborless; visit the sick; ransom the captive; bury the dead; instruct the ignorant; counsel the doubtful; admonish sinners; bear wrongs patiently; forgive offenses willingly; comfort the afflicted; pray for the living and the dead." +

Saint James The Just, pray for us, that we may be not only hearers of The Word of GOD, but doers also. For we are saved by cooperating with Grace by our Lord JESUS CHRIST, calling us to live out the Good Works, spiritual and physical, that You have called us to in this life, that we may rejoice with You in Heaven forever. Amen.

JAMES 1:17-27

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=APvO08xjJR4&list=RDAPvO08xjJR4&index=1>

17 Every good gift and every perfect gift is from Above, and cometh down from The Father of Lights, with Whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.

18 Of His Own will begat He us with The Word of Truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures.

19 Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath:

20 For the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of GOD.

21 Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted Word, Which is able to save your souls.

22 But be ye doers of The Word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.

23 For if any be a hearer of The Word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass:

24 For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was.

25 But whoso looketh into The Perfect Law of Liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed.

26 If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain.

27 Pure religion and undefiled before GOD and The Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.

* ["Prayer for the Evening" The Magnificat, 8/29/2021, commentary, p 416.]

+ ["Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy." New Advent Catholic Encyclopedia. Retrieved 8/25/2021.

<https://www.newadvent.org/cathen/10198d.htm>]