

Words-5/17/15

Hearing-Speaking-Doing the Word

James 1:19-25

Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be **quick** to hear, **slow** to speak, slow to anger; for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God. Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls. But **be doers** of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a **doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing.**

HEARING

Deuteronomy 32:1,44-46 Moses speaking warning words to the world/people

"Give ear, O heavens, and I will speak and let the earth **hear the words** of my mouth.

Moses came and recited all the words of this song in the hearing of the people, he and Joshua the son of Nun. And when Moses had finished speaking all these words to all Israel he said to them, "**Take to heart all the words** by which I am warning you today, that you may **command them to your children, that they may be careful to do all the words** of this law.

Luke 11:27-28 Jesus speaks blessing for hearing the Word and keeping it

As he said these things, a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said to him, "Blessed is the womb that bore you, and the breasts at which you nursed!" But he said, "**Blessed** rather are those who **hear the word** of God and **keep it!**"

Speaking

Act 4:29-31 Boldly proclaiming the word of the Lord

Now, Lord, look upon their threats and grant to your servants to continue to speak your word with all boldness, while you stretch out your hand to heal, and signs and wonders are performed through the name of your holy servant Jesus." And when they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken, and they were all **filled with the Holy Spirit** and continued to **speak the word of God with boldness.**

Matthew 12:33-37 Good or evil spoken out of the heart

"Either make the tree good and its fruit good, or make the tree bad and its fruit bad, for the tree is known by its fruit, You brood of vipers! How can you speak good, when you are evil? For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks. The good person out of his good treasure brings forth good, and the evil person out of his evil treasure brings forth evil. I tell you, on the day of judgment, people will give account for every careless word they speak, for by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned."

Doing

James ties it all together James 1: 25

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What are those good things?

Hear the Word with ears to hear-Speaking that Word with boldness-Doing the will of God

1 Peter 2:15-16 For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people. 16 Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God.