## FAITH THAT WORKS - PART 3: "HEARERS AND DOERS OF GOD'S WORD" James 1:19-27 Ps. Jeffrey Susila

As God's people, let's not be hearers who forget, but doers who live out God's Word.

<sup>19</sup> Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; <sup>20</sup> for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God. <sup>21</sup> Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

<sup>22</sup> But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. <sup>23</sup> 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. <sup>24</sup> For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. <sup>25</sup> 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.

<sup>26</sup> If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless. <sup>27</sup> Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.

## <u>Overview</u>

What does it look like to be doers of God's Word?

- I. Listen to the Word with humility (vv. 19-21)
- II. Look into the Word with perseverance (vv. 22-25)
- III. Live out the Word in love and holiness (vv. 26-27)