

Living Faith Part Two: Real Religion
James 1:19-27 April 26, 2026

1. Allowing trials to accomplish their purpose requires anger control (1:19-21)
 - Three elements; (1:19-20)
 - ✓ A preference for listening.
 - ✓ “Weighed” speech.
 - ✓ Reluctance to get angry.
 - Our anger will never accomplish God’s righteous purposes (1:20)
2. God promises to bless those who focus on internalizing and obeying God’s Word (1:21-25)
 - Remove the moral obstacles that block reception of the Word.
 - Meekly receive the Word that already has roots in you.
 - Don’t confuse seeing yourself clearly with doing something about it.
 - Develop the habit of meditating on what the Word reveals about you.
3. Those with authentic religion always reveal it in their behavior (1:26-27)
 - By a bridled tongue – without this, your religion is worthless.
 - By caring for those who are alone and destitute.
 - By personal holiness.