

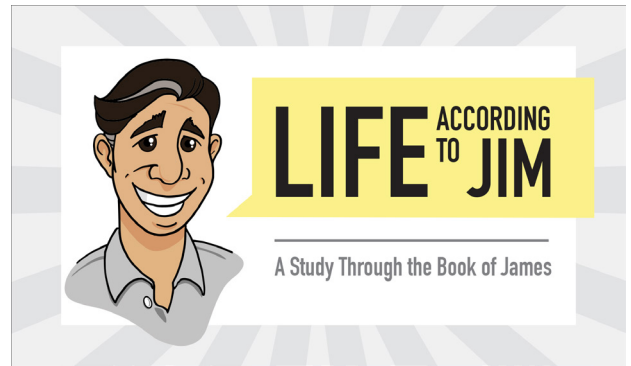
# Sermon Notes

Week of Sunday, November 6, 2016

Sermon Series: Life According To Jim

Key Passage: James 2:14-23

Pastor - Mark Saunders



## A. Salvation is ours by faith alone.

28 For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law. (Romans 3:28 ESV)

5 And to the one who does not work but believes in him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness, (Romans 4:5 ESV)

## B. Salvation is ours by a faith that is not alone.

14 What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? (James 2:14 ESV)

## C. Faith without life change is useless.

15 If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, 16 and one of you says to them, “Go in peace, be warmed and filled,” without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? 17 So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead. (James 2:14-17 ESV)

## D. Faith is proven by life change.

18 But someone will say, “You have faith and I have works.” Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works. 19 You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe—and shudder! (James 2:18-19 ESV)

16 You will recognize them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered from thornbushes, or figs from thistles?

17 So, every healthy tree bears good fruit, but the diseased tree bears bad fruit. 18 A healthy tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a diseased tree bear good fruit. 19 Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. 20 Thus you will recognize them by their fruits. (Matthew 7:16-20 ESV)

## E. Need proof that faith is proven by life change? See Abraham.

20 Do you want to be shown, you foolish person, that faith apart from works is useless? 21 Was not Abraham our father justified by works when he offered up his son Isaac on the altar? 22 You see that faith was active along with his works, and faith was completed by his works; 23 and the Scripture was fulfilled that says, “Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness”—and he was called a friend of God. (James 2:20-23 ESV)



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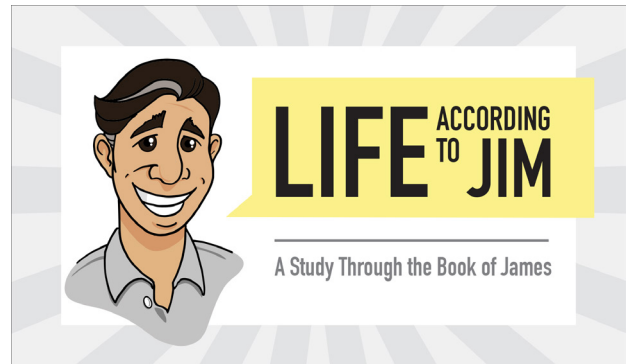
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### F. Abraham a bit too lofty for you? See Rahab.

24 You see that a person is justified by works and not by faith alone. 25 And in the same way was not also Rahab the prostitute

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