



James 2:14-19 NIV

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18 But someone will say, “You have faith; I have deeds.”

Show me your faith without deeds, and I will show you my faith by my deeds. 19 You believe that there is one God. Good! Even the demons believe that—and shudder.



James 2:20-26 NIV

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25 In the same way, was not even Rahab the prostitute considered righteous for what she did when she gave lodging to the spies and sent them off in a different direction? 26 As the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without deeds is dead.



Isaiah 64:6 NIV

All of us have become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous acts are like filthy rags; we all shrivel up like a leaf, and like the wind our sins sweep us away.



James 2:1 NIV

My brothers and sisters, believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ must not show favoritism.

Previous Scripture: Isaiah 64:6;

James 2:14-26



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James 1:22 NIV

Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.



I. Accompanied By Action



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Previous Scripture: James 1:22;

James 2:14; James 2:1



I. Accompanied By Action



Hebrews 11:1 NIV

Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see.



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Titus 2:14 NIV

who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.



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Titus 3:5-8 NIV

5 he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, 6 whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, 7 so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. 8 This is a trustworthy saying. And I want you to stress these things, so that those who have trusted in God may be careful to devote themselves to doing what is good. These things are excellent and profitable for everyone.

Previous Scripture: Titus 2:14;

Hebrews 11:1; James 2:14-18



I. Accompanied By Action



Ephesians 2:8-9 NIV

8 For it is by grace you have been saved,
through faith—and this is not from
yourselves, it is the gift of God—9 not by
works, so that no one can boast.

Previous Scripture: Titus 3:5-8;

Titus 2:14; Hebrews 11:1



I. Accompanied By Action



Hebrews 11:6 NIV

And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

Previous Scripture: Ephesians 2:8-9;

Titus 3:5-8; Titus 2:14



I. Accompanied By Action



Galatians 2:16 NIV

know that a person is not justified by the works of the law, but by faith in Jesus Christ. So we, too, have put our faith in Christ Jesus that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law, because by the works of the law no one will be justified.

Previous Scripture: Hebrews 11:6;

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II. Even Demons Believe That James 2:19 NIV



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II. Even Demons Believe That Mark 5:6-10 NIV



6 When he saw Jesus from a distance, he ran and fell on his knees in front of him. 7 He shouted at the top of his voice, “What do you want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? In God’s name don’t torture me!” 8 For Jesus had said to him, “Come out of this man, you impure spirit!”

9 Then Jesus asked him, “What is your name?”

“My name is Legion,” he replied, “for we are many.”
10 And he begged Jesus again and again not to send them out of the area.

Previous Scripture: James 2:19;

Galatians 2:16; Hebrews 11:6



II. Even Demons Believe That Luke 4:33-34 NIV



33 In the synagogue there was a man possessed by a demon, an impure spirit. He cried out at the top of his voice, 34 “Go away! What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!”



II. Even Demons Believe That Ephesians 2:10 NIV



For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.



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Matthew 7:16-20 NIV

16 By their fruit you will recognize them. Do people pick grapes from thornbushes, or figs from thistles? 17 Likewise, every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. 18 A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, and a bad tree cannot bear good fruit. 19 Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. 20 Thus, by their fruit you will recognize them.

Previous Scripture: Ephesians 2:10;

Luke 4:33-34; Mark 5:6-10



II. Even Demons Believe That



Matthew 7:21-23 NIV

21 “Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. 22 Many will say to me on that day, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name and in your name drive out demons and in your name perform many miracles?’ 23 Then I will tell them plainly, ‘I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers!’”

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III. Made Complete By Doing



Romans 4:1-5 NIV

1 What then shall we say that Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh, discovered in this matter? 2 If, in fact, Abraham was justified by works, he had something to boast about—but not before God. 3 What does Scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness.”

4 Now to the one who works, wages are not credited as a gift but as an obligation. 5 However, to the one who does not work but trusts God who justifies the ungodly, their faith is credited as righteousness.

Previous Scripture: James 2:20-26;

Matthew 7:16-23; Romans 4:1-5