

# Lesson for Midday and Evening Becoming Sessions

**James 1:19-27**

## Listening and Doing

### Lesson Central Idea

Listening To God's Word Is *Good*  
But Living God's Word Is *Best*

### OPEN IT

- Who do you admire as a religious or spiritual role model?
- How does it affect you when a person is caught doing what they tell others not to do?
- When are you most likely to lose your temper?

### EXPLORE IT

- What instruction did James give about the relationship between speaking, listening, and anger? (1:19)
- What is the relationship between anger and righteous living? (1:20)
- What should a Christian clean out their life? (1:21)
- What is the relationship between listening to God's Word and doing it? (1:22)
- What analogy did James use to describe a person who does not do what the Bible says? (1:23-24)
- What promise did James give to the person who studies God's Word and practices it? (1:25)
- What does the Bible give to people?
- How is a person's speech related to the credibility of their faith? (1:26)
- What did James describe as pure religion? (1:27)
- What is pure religion? (1:27)

### GET IT

- What makes it hard for us to be listeners?
- How can being quick to speak and quick to anger get you into trouble?
- How do displays of anger and temper affect the witness of a Christian?
- What attitudes and habits can inhibit our growth as disciples of Christ?

- What makes it hard for us to practice what we know to be good?
- How does our speech reflect our relationship with God?
- How have you experienced freedom by doing the Word of God?
- What can we do to help widows and orphans?
- In what ways can the world pollute us?
- How can we keep ourselves from being polluted by the world?

### **APPLY IT**

- In what situations this week will you need to curb your anger? How can you?
- What do you need to change in your actions this week to match your talk?
- Whom will you help this week in obedience to God's Word?

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### **BILLBOARD**

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