

## JAMES – LESSON 2

### II. PRACTICAL FAITH: UNDERSTANDING THE GIFTS AND ACTIONS OF GOD (1:12-18).

- A. The Lord promises and gives the crown of life (1:12)
  - 1. Promise is to the one who is approved successfully enduring trials – He is blessed.
  - 2. Promise is to those who love the Lord.
  
- B. The Lord does not entice men to sin (1:13).
  - 1. God cannot be tempted with evil.
  - 2. God tempts no man.
  
- C. Enticement to sin is of man's own lust (1:14-16)
  - 1. Temptation comes when one is drawn away by own lust and is enticed.
  - 2. Lust conceived brings forth death.
  - 3. Sin full grown brings forth death.
  - 4. Brethren warned not to be deceived.
  
- D. The Lord is the source of every good and perfect gift (1:17-18)
  - 1. The Father of lights – always consistent and faithful
  - 2. The Father has produced an exalted spiritual creation.
    - a. Of God's own will
    - b. by the word of truth.

### QUESTIONS:

- 1. The "crown" that God promises signifies:
  - (a). a "kingly" or "diadem" crown
  - (b). a "victor's" or "public honor" crown
  - (c). both a & b
  
- 2. What facts about the person accompanies the blessed state of receiving the crown of life?
  
- 3. What is the difference between the temptation talked about in verse 13 and that of verse 12?
  
- 4. Give two reasons why you cannot blame God for your sin?

5. At what point does temptation become sin?
  
6. What is the consequence of sin?  
Is it ALWAYS the consequence for EVERY sin?
  
7. Why did James have to warn the brethren about the source of sin?
  
8. Describe the character of the gifts of which God is the source?
  
9. Every \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ gift comes from  
\_\_\_\_\_. Describe further these gifts:
  
10. The source of these gifts is:
  - a. Science
  - b. Money
  - c. God
  
11. God is not only the source of these gifts but He is the source of  
\_\_\_\_\_.
  
12. What is the character of the “Father of lights”?
  
13. What place does God’s “own will” have in our spiritual new birth?
  
14. What does God use to bring us forth as a new creature?
  
15. What does God expect from his new spiritual creation?