

SUNDAY, JANUARY 16, 2022

MORNING MESSAGE

“What Kind of Faith?”

James 2:14-26

- I. DEAD FAITH (vv.14-18)
 - A. The explanation of dead faith
 1. Verse 17, “Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone”
 2. Verse 20, “But wilt thou not know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?”
 3. Verse 26, “For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also”
 4. Dead faith is a faith of empty words
 5. Verse 14, “What does it profit, my brethren, though a man **say** he hath faith, and have not works? Can faith save him?”
 - B. The example of dead faith
 1. Verse 15, “If a brother or sister be naked”
 2. Verse 15, “If a brother or sister be...destitute of daily food”
- II. DEMONIC FAITH (v.19)
 - A. The subject of demonic faith
 1. “Devils” is a reference to demons
 - B. The source of demonic faith
 1. Demons give a mental assent to the reality of God
 2. Matthew 8:29, “What have we to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God? Art thou come to torment us before the time?”
 3. Mark 1:25, “Let us alone; what have we to do with thee, thou Jesus of Nazareth? Art thou come to destroy us? I know who thou art, the Holy One of God”
 - C. The shuddering of demonic faith
 1. “Tremble” means to bristle or shake
- III. DYNAMIC FAITH (vv.20-26)
 - A. The people of dynamic faith
 1. Abraham’s story is told in Genesis
 - a. Genesis 15:6, “And he believed in the Lord; and he counted it to him for righteousness”

2. Rahab's story is told in Joshua

a. Joshua 2:11, "for the Lord your God, he is God in heaven above, and in earth beneath"

B. The proof of dynamic faith

1. Abraham proved his faith in Genesis 22

2. Rahab proved her faith in Joshua 6