

Getting to Know You

1. You're visiting a cafe with a friend. What drink would you order in mid-October?
2. If you could take a long weekend anywhere to enjoy Fall, where would you go? Why?

Digging Deeper

In Part 3 of James: Back to the Basics, we walked through all of James, chapter 2. Take some time answering the following questions as you dig deeper into this week's message.

1. Chapter 2 opens, "How can you claim to have faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ if you favor some people over others?" What are some reasons people show favoritism?
2. Read James 2:5 and Matthew 5:3. What does it mean to be poor in spirit? How much do you relate to being poor in spirit?
3. Read James 2:8-11 & 1 Corinthians 13:1-3. How are these verse connected?
4. Pastor Nik described what it means that the law brings freedom. Recap in your own words, what He said? Read also James 1:21, 25, 2:8 and John 13:34 for more insight.
5. Starting at 2:14 the conversation shifts toward faith and deeds. In your own words, explain verse 17
6. "What you believe determines how you behave." Agree or disagree? Explain.
7. Why do you think James feel the need to explain "demon faith" when he says, "You believe that there is one God. Good! Even the demons believe that—and shudder."? (vs. 19)
8. Nik used the idea of marriage to help describe how faith and deeds go together. Was that helpful? Why or why not? Can you think of other analogies to describe faith and deeds?

Make it Personal

1. What Character traits do people see when they see you?
2. How has your faith changed you?
3. How do you expect your faith to change you moving forward?