

Sermon Series Outline

Faithful Actions Reveal Our Righteousness of God James <u>1:19-27</u>

Introduction: Righteousness credited; <u>II Corin.5:21</u>; Pseudo-Righteousness - <u>Matthew 5:20</u>

Our relationship with God produces righteousness which is evident in the following faithactions.

- I. Waiting before Responding <u>vv19-20</u>
 - A. Listen carefully.
 - B. Words are shared respectfully.
 - C. Wrath retracted.
- II. Wickedness Renounced; the Word of God Received v21

III. Word of God Causes Reactions – <u>vv22- 27</u>

- A. Mirror, Mirror on the wall, who is the most faithful of them all?
 - 1. Mirror looking is useless. <u>vv22-24</u>
 - 2. The Word of God is likened as a mirror; one looking intently into the Word is a doer of the Word. $\underline{v25}$
 - a. Controlled tongue. $\underline{v26}$
 - b. Compassion for the orphan and widow. v27a
 - c. Unstained by the world. $\underline{v27b}$

The Takeaway: A righteous life is not duty to the law; but delight in our relationship with Jesus.