

James 2: 14 – 26

v14 – claim	(verb)	say that something is true
v14 – faith	(noun)	strong belief, trust, dependence
v14 – deed	(noun)	something that is done or performed; an action
v15 – suppose	(verb)	consider a situation
v16 – well fed	(adjective)	regularly gets enough food to eat
v17 – accompanied	(verb)	exists at the same time as something else
v19 – shudder	(verb)	shake or tremble suddenly and violently from fear or disgust
v20 – foolish	(adjective)	unwise, silly
v20 – evidence	(noun)	a mark or sign that makes proves something is true
v20 – useless	(adjective)	having no practical use or advantage.
v21 – ancestor	(noun)	a relative from the past
v21 – righteous	(adjective)	doing what God says is right
v21 – altar	(noun)	a place on which sacrifices are offered to God
v23 – righteousness	(noun)	the quality of doing what God says is right
v23 – credited	(verb)	counted as belonging to someone
v25 – lodging	(noun)	a temporary residence.
v25 – spies	(noun)	people who secretly gathers and reports back information about the enemy
v25 – sent them off	(idiom)	instructed people to go somewhere

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James 2:15-26 (New International Reader's Version)

¹⁴ Suppose a person claims to have faith but doesn't act on their faith. My brothers and sisters, can this kind of faith save them? ¹⁵ Suppose a brother or a sister has no clothes or food. ¹⁶ Suppose one of you says to them, "Go. I hope everything turns out fine for you. Keep warm. Eat well." And suppose you do nothing about what they really need. Then what good have you done? ¹⁷ It is the same with faith. If it doesn't cause us to do something, it's dead.

¹⁸ But someone will say, "You have faith. I do good deeds."

Show me your faith that doesn't cause you to do good deeds. And I will show you my faith by the goods deeds I do. ¹⁹ You believe there is one God. Good! Even the demons believe that. And they tremble!

²⁰ You foolish person! Do you want proof that faith without good deeds is useless? ²¹ Our father Abraham offered his son Isaac on the altar. Wasn't he considered to be right with God because of what he did? ²² So you see that what he believed and what he did were working together. What he did made his faith complete. ²³ That is what Scripture means where it says, "Abraham believed God. God accepted Abraham because he believed. So his faith made him right with God." And that's not all. God called Abraham his friend. ²⁴ So you see that a person is considered right with God by what they do. It doesn't happen only because they believe.

²⁵ Didn't God consider even Rahab the prostitute to be right with him? That's because of what she did for the spies. She gave them a place to stay. Then she sent them off in a different direction. ²⁶ A person's body without their spirit is dead. In the same way, faith without good deeds is dead.