

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Open your group with a prayer. Use this sheet as a guide; select the points you want to discuss.

GETTING STARTED

1. Have you ever done something wrong in front of someone who later learned you were a Christian? What happened?
2. What pressures does the Christian face with regard to God's Word?

DIGGING DEEPER

3. Read James 1:19-21. These believers were under trials. Why would they resist God's Word?
4. What does "quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger" look like with regards to God's Word?
5. How can a Christian who has lost delight in God's Word recover it?
6. Read James 1:22-25. How does a mirror illustrate how someone can be active in church and still disobedient to the Word?
7. Warren Wiersbe says, "Too many Christians mark their

Bibles, but their Bibles never mark them." Note what it looks like to Act on the Word in Joshua 1:8; Psalm 1:1-3 & Acts 17:11.

8. Read James 1:26-27 & Matt 12:34b. Why is our speech an indicator of our heart?
9. Many Christians avoid profanity. But what other verbal sins are common?
10. In that day, orphans and widows needed help since there were no gov't programs. What did serving them reveal?
11. In our day, pornography is rampant. What does our use or acceptance of it indicate about us?

LIVING IT OUT

12. How does our response to God's Word reveal what we *really* believe about God?
13. How can Christians identify areas of sin that are blind spots?

CHANGING YOUR MIND

"Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says."

- James 1:22