



“Slavery Can Be Fun”

James 1:1

Sermon Notes:

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1. The Epistle of James: The Background

Read Matthew 12:46; 13:55; Galatians 1:19.

- Who is James in relation to Jesus?
- Why does James identify himself as a *servant* of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ rather than using his relational title?

2. Other Servants of God: The Hall of Fame

Read Deut 34:5; Joshua 24:29; 1 Sam 3:10; Psalm 89:3; Isaiah 41:8.

- Identify some other *servants* of the LORD.

3. The Suffering *Servant*: The Lord Jesus Christ

Read Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12

- Describe His actions / characteristics.

APPLICATION

Meditate upon the sermon you heard this weekend.

Discuss the following in your family or small group.

- What does James mean by *servant* of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ?
- ♥ Are you grateful to be a *servant* of God? Explain.
- ♥ Looking to the example of Jesus, where do you need to improve most?

PREPARATION

To gain the most from this study, we recommend that you prayerfully ask God for direction and guidance (Ps 119:105; 1 Cor 2:10-16; Jam 1:5).