



Living Hope

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Sermon Questions

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1. The council in Jerusalem dealt with the question of what is needed to be saved. We say it is by grace alone and by faith alone, is it that simple, or are there other things expected of us? What are the expectations of a person who is saved?
2. James used Scripture to answer the question. Jesus used Scripture to resist Satan when he was tempted. Spend some time talking about verses which you know which help you in your life. You can also talk about verses which have been given so far in the verse challenge this year.
3. James's response showed how God's grace is extended to all people. He said we need to not create extra burdens on people who are coming to Christ. He also gave some things which would be wise to do so as not to be a stumbling block to long time believers. What are the things which you can give to new believers, what are things you can give to long time believers to help them grow in their faith? What are things you would like to see to be done by others to help you in your spiritual growth?
4. How does the extension of grace to others, go with the explanation of Scriptural truth with others? Does "grace" equal permission to anything they want?
5. Paul and Barnabas shared stories of how God was working among the Gentiles. In what way have you seen God working among new believers and those who don't know Christ?
6. If you were the "James" of today, what do you think are the things which new believers should refrain from when they worship with us?