

"A Faith That Works"  
James 2:14-26  
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*Major Theme:* Real faith in Jesus Christ results in genuine works.

Two questions a believer in Jesus Christ needs to ask himself or herself:

1. Can a person have faith and not do good works?
2. Can faith without good works save someone?

James' answer to these two questions is an emphatic NO!

*Five examples to illustrate his theme:*

Example #1: The destitute believer (v. 15-17)

Example #2: Picture of two arrogant men (v.18)

Example #3: Demons

Example #4: Abraham - who proved his faith by his works.

Example #5: Rahab the converted prostitute who proved her faith by her works.

*Two important truths from Scripture:*

Truth #1: Salvation is by faith alone. (Acts 16:31,  
John 3:16, Ephesians 2:8-9)

Truth #2: Salvation is by a faith that is not alone. (James 2:14-26)