

“The Ever More Consistent Christian”



EVIDENCES OF TRUE FAITH • part 8
James 1:19-21

INTRODUCTION

- where inconsistency is common, and consistency is virtuous

Eph. 4:1; Col. 1:9-10; 3:1-3

- a new section in James' epistle

1. Realize the fruitlessness of inconsistency. (1:19-20)

- verse 19 in context

- fleshly knee-jerk reactions...and what they accomplish

2. Repent of the faults of inconsistency. (1:21a)

- textile image: taking off the garment of filthiness

Rom. 13:12; Eph. 4:22; 1 Pet. 2:1-2

- cutting down the suckers of wickedness

3. Receive the fuel for consistency (1:21b)

- agricultural image: receiving the implanted word

Mt. 13:18-23; Jn. 8:31; 14:21-24

- hungering and thirsting for the Word of truth

Acts 17:11; Ps. 42:1

CONCLUSION