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Warm – Up

While a talking, all-knowing mirror only exists in our imaginations, it can actually tell us a great deal about ourselves. Has my hair gotten too long? Do my eye lashes need to be plucked? What is that in the gap in my teeth? And if I would choose to ignore what my mirror is telling me, that wouldn't mean the problem would just go away! Why then do we tend to ignore some things we see in our Mirrors?

Read - James 1:19-25... now put it in your own words as a summary.

Background – The church that James was a part of in around 55 A.D. had a problem as it appears with hearing the Word of God but not doing anything about it. Does that sound like Christianity in our day? Let's talk about what it looks like to move from knowledge of The Word to action...a serious challenge!

Q and A -

- 1) It is common to hear the Word and yet be unresponsive to it. How can we explain this?
- 2) Our culture gives free expression to anger, filthiness and wickedness. What does James call us to do in light of that?
- 3) Why is an attitude of humility so vital when it comes to receiving, accepting and acting upon the message of God's word in light of the world we live in?
- 4) Do you know someone that seems to be very responsive to the mirror of God's word and then, someone that is not? What can you learn by their example?

Share with each other different passages of scripture that have been a help to you in putting your faith into action. What steps will you take to be more of a doer and not just a hearer of God's Word?

Pray