

**James: A Fruitful Faith**  
**Preparing the Soil for God's Word**



James 1:19-21

September 14, 2025

Prepare to \_\_\_\_\_

Restrain Your \_\_\_\_\_

Keep Your Heart in \_\_\_\_\_

Prepare the \_\_\_\_\_ ---remove the \_\_\_\_\_

Receive the \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_

**Questions to think about...**

1. What does it look like in your daily life to be “quick to listen” to God’s Word? How can we cultivate a more attentive, eager heart?
2. Have you ever spoken too quickly, before fully listening to someone or even to God? How did that affect the situation?
3. James links anger with a heart that is resistant to God’s Word. Can you share a time when frustration or anger kept you from hearing or responding to God?
4. The passage calls us to “put aside all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent.” What are some “weeds” or obstacles in your life that make it hard for God’s Word to grow?
5. What practical steps can you take this week to remove these “weeds” from your heart? (Examples: confession, accountability, removing distractions, replacing bad habits with Scripture)
6. Verse 21 talks about receiving the Word with humility. What does a humble, receptive heart look like in real life? How can you cultivate humility toward God’s Word?
7. Think about your spiritual “soil.” What part of your life needs more preparation so God’s Word can take deeper root?