

The Book of James

PURPOSE: to expose unethical practices and teach right Christian behavior.

AUTHOR: James, Jesus' brother, a leader in the Jerusalem church.

TO WHOM WRITTEN: First-century Jewish Christians living outside Palestine. As well as to all Christians everywhere.

DATE WRITTEN: Probably AD 49

SETTING: This letter expresses James's concern for the persecuted Christians who were once part of the Jerusalem church.

MAJOR THEMES:

Living Faith James wants believers to hear the truth and serve through love and faith.

Trials James believes successfully overcoming adversity produces maturity and strong character.

Law of Love God gave us a special command "love your neighbor as yourself". We are to love and serve those around us.

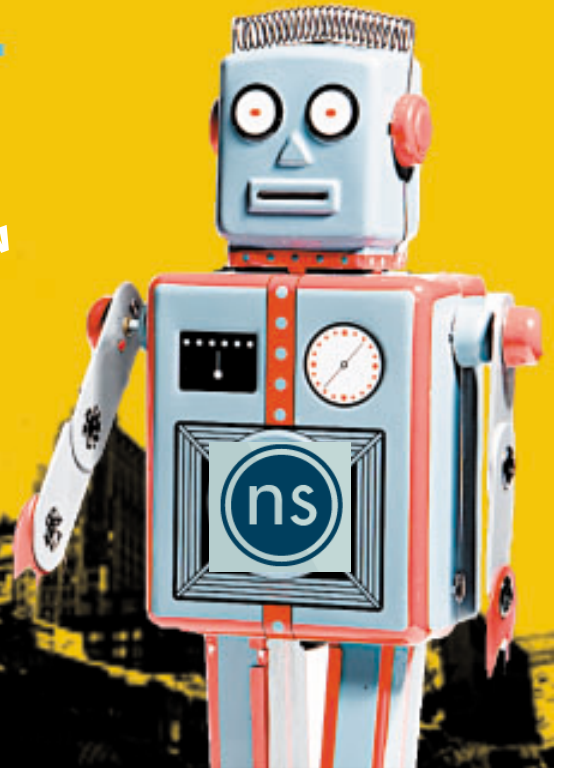
Wise Speech Wisdom shows itself in speech. Think of God and others before you speak, and allow God to strengthen your self-control.

Wealth James teaches Christians not to compromise with worldly attitudes about wealth. Because the glory of wealth fades but treasures are stored in heaven.



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An overview



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