Sermon Discussion Guide

Preacher: Seth Thornton | June 21, 2020 Faith That's Real | James 1:19-27

What's an area of your life where you could be quicker to listen to God's Word and slower to speak (v19)?

How might a "quick, slow, slow" approach change how you respond to the world around you? Relationships with those closest to you? Your relationship with God?

Internalizing the Word of God and letting it grow in your soul is foundational to godliness. But why do you think James presses harder in v22-25 for believers to be "doers" of the Word? Where can you be a "doer" where you currently are just a hearer?

What examples does James give to living out our faith by loving sacrificially in verse 27? What tangible needs are there around you where you could show the sacrificial love of Christ to others? What are your barriers to acting on these identified needs?

With your community group and/or family:

- 1) This week: brainstorm "care" opportunities in our church and the broader community.
- 2) Next week: take the initiative to explore these ideas to discover the most viable option.
- 3) Within the month: Act on the plan. Repeat.