

From Hearers to Doers

Guiding Students from Principle to Practical

“But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. For if anyone is a hearer of the world and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like.”

-James 1:22-25 (ESV)

Hear the Word

“The Word is to be ingrown or inborn, rooted in the fertile soil of the soul... Listening to the Word is only the beginning.”

-Bible Knowledge Commentary (James 1:21-23)

Hearing...

- Is not just attendance.
- Is not just paying attention.
- Involves comprehension.
- Involves understanding.
- May require repetition, repetition, repetition.
- May require rewording, paraphrasing, or saying it another way.

See the Relevance

The Word → The World → Our World → Their World → Themselves

Do God’s Will

“It is not sufficient, however, to receive the Word; one must respond to it in active obedience.”

-Bible Knowledge Commentary (James 1:22)

SMART Application

- Specific
- Measurable
- Achievable
- Relevant
- Time-Bound

