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Bible Study and Discussion Group

Topic: The Book of James – Authentic Faith
Handout #5 – Supplemental Handout – The Season of Lent
Authentic Faith Chapter - 4

Acts 3:19

Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord.

Introduction

- The Season of Lent
 - What is Lent?
 - Lent is a 40 day season (excluding Sundays) that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends the Saturday before Easter. It is a time of preparation and an opportunity for growing deeper in our relationship with God.
 - How do Christians observe Lent?
 - Prayer
 - Fasting
 - Scripture reading and reflection
 - Alms giving or charity
 - Resources for Lent observance.
 - Bible App – “Devotional for Lent from Holy Bible: Mosaic”
 - So Send I You Lent Devotional Booklet (available at evensosendiyoworld.org cost \$40)
 - Other resources
 - Invitation to participate...

- Brief Review – Authentic Faith
 - Controlling Your Tongue – Ch. 3:1-12
 - Wisdom From Above – Ch. 3:13-18
 - Questions/Observations/Takeaways from last week...

- I. Turn Hatred Into Humility – 4:1-6
 - a. Causes of conflict – vs. 1-2
 - b. Consequences of conflict – vs. 3-4
 - c. Cure for conflict – vs. 5-6

- II. Turn Judgment Into Justice – 4:7-12
 - a. Advise for justice – vs. 7-9
 - b. Advantage of justice – vs. 10-11
 - c. Author of justice – v. 12

- III. Turn Boasting Into Belief – 4:13-17
 - a. Statement of boasting – v. 13
 - b. Sentence on boasting – v. 14
 - c. Solution for boasting – vs. 15-17

Conclusion/Questions/Takeaways

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Announcements:

- Lent – 3/2 – 4/17
- Empire BEATS Obesity Celebration – 3/4
- Hybrid - In-Person and Livestream of Worship Resumes – 3/6
- Financial Boot Camp – 3/14, 3/28, 4/11, 4/25, 5/9, and 5/23
- Men’s Day Panel Discussion and Worship Services -- 3/18, 3/20