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**FAITH LOVES**  
James 1:26-2:13

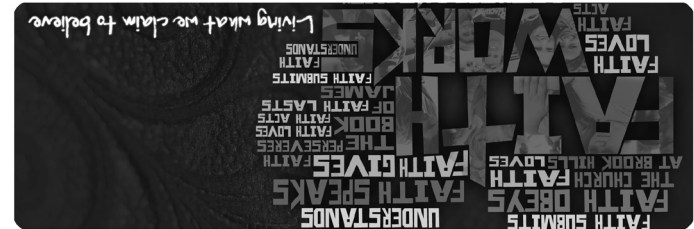
### The Marks of True and Acceptable Religion...

- Controlled **speech** that displays a changed heart.
  - ▶ The **tongue** is the test of true religion.
- Sacrificial **care** for those in need.
  - ▶ They are **helpless**.
  - ▶ We must be **selfless**.
- Clear **separation** from the ways of the world.
  - ▶ We are captivated by the **glory** of Christ.
    - We see His **supremacy** over the wealthy.
    - We remember His **sacrifice** for the needy.
  - ▶ We are gripped by the **grace** of Christ.
    - Christ reverses our **status** in this world.
    - Christ transforms our **standards** in this world.
  - ▶ We are devoted to the **law** of Christ.
    - Favoritism **disrespects** man.
    - Favoritism **dishonors** God Himself.
  - ▶ We are cognizant of the **judgment** of Christ.
    - Our **words** will be judged.
    - Our **deeds** (or lack thereof) will be judged.
  - ▶ We are a reflection of the **mercy** of Christ.
    - As we have **received** mercy, so we **extend** mercy.
    - If we do not **extend** mercy, we demonstrate that we have not **received** mercy.

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