

**This is New!**

**The following is a few lesson inserts copied from the  
Book of James Life  
Application Bible Study  
Introduction**

This book is the “second” of many Life Application Series to come. These books are “simple”, daily bite size bible study—devotionals, acquired during my Quiet Times.

They are quick and easy to read as time permits in your busy schedule. I did not want to put dates or time frames in any of these books; to do so, might “discourage” some of us, when we think we “have to” get so much done every day. When we miss a day or two, we feel guilty and get under condemnation and the devil will nudge us to just “quit” reading, “we’ve already messed up!” That is NOT what reading these books and the Bible are all about. Grace, Grace, Grace and more Grace.

This study in James, took me about four months to complete. It’s a small but powerful book; the words will cut deep and “hurt good!”

When I started reading James, it was right after wrapping up the Book of Ephesians. My intentions were never to write books. I just love to study and want to know my Father more personally, and praying all the while, to allow Him to change me inside and out, one day at a time. I have a passion and fire that burns within my soul to share Gods Word, and encourage other women to gain this same “fire” and walk in peace and joy, not discouragement or feel beaten up!

The “11” Simple Steps to hearing from God and receiving revelation, will always be at the very back of each life application series book. I will also share my personal testimony, directly after the “11” Simple Steps.

These books started out as daily “email devotionals” for the Salt Shakin Sisters. Like so many things I receive from God, they are all a “process” and evolve into what I believe, is His will for my life and ministry. I am ever so thankful to have such a gift, and I pray that I never be lifted up in pride and God always remind me to have a humble spirit. I can do “nothing” without or through Him and the help of the Holy Spirit of God within me; my Comforter, Counselor and Friend at all times.

James will comfort, counsel, correct and encourage you. Some of the things James will share with us is:: Jealousy, Covetousness, Friendships, Judging, Obedience, Confidence in God not ourselves, Patience, Prayer, Faith, Confession, Pride, Humility, Sin, Endurance, Mercy and much, much more.

I pray you will **read slowly** and allow the Holy Spirit within you, to help you and speak to you, and give you a burden and desire to study His Word more than any other book in this world.

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*Daily Walkin' With Jesus  
"Simply Sharin' His Word"  
The Book of James  
Life Application Study Series*

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**Vision Statement:**

Psalms 32:8

To teach women how to study Gods Word and receive revelation,  
encouragement, and walk in daily Joy and Victory!

To share the Word of God in a “simple” manner, so all who hear it will receive wisdom, guidance, daily instructions and “grow up” in Gods Grace. For women to acquire a “desire” to have a personal relationship with Jesus and the Holy Spirit of God; to get “into” the Word of God and “walk it out”; being an example of Jesus in their daily lives. For women to “connect” with, encourage and support women of all faiths.

***Salt Shakin Sisters—Quiet Time Devotionals***

Where did the name Salt Shakin Sisters  
come from?

***Matthew 5:13-16***

*You are the “SALT” of the earth.*

*But if the “SALT” loses its*

*“SALTINESS”, how can it be made “SALTY” again?....You are the light of the world. Let your light shine before women, that they may*

*Start “Shakin Some Salt Around Today!”*

***From My Heart:***

*Father, I come to you in Jesus name today. I humbly ask you, that if that anyone reading these verses in James, and does not know you as their personal Savior; you Holy Spirit of God, would deal with them right now. I pray, you do so with your unending and unconditional love, through your Spirit of Grace, Mercy, Forgiveness.*

*I pray they don't take offense at anything your Word says. I pray no offense is taken from sharing my heart. It is my desire, as yours, to see everyone saved. Thank you for eternal salvation and the freedom you give each person, to make a choice, accept or reject you. Heaven or Hell. I pray as you read this prayer today, you choose, LIFE. Father lead them to your arms; after receiving you as their Savior, guide them to the right church, the right person to mentor and help them grow in your grace and Word.*

*As I close this prayer, Father, I do want to share and point them to the church I attend and the women's ministry website. From their, they can make whatever connections they feel led to do.*

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## Who are you listening to? James 1:18-21

### **NIV Version:**

18 He chose to give birth to us by giving us his true word. And we, out of all creation, became his prized possession. Listening and Doing. 19 Understand this, my dear brothers and sisters: You must all be quick to listen, slow to speak, and *slow to get angry*. 20 Human anger does not produce the righteousness God desires. 21 So get rid of all the filth and evil in your lives, and humbly accept the word God has planted in your hearts, for it has the power to save your souls.

### **Message Version:**

18 He brought us to life using the true Word, showing us off as the crown of all his creatures. Act on What you hear. 19 Post this at all the intersections, dear friends; Lead with your ears, follow up with your tongue, and let anger straggle along in the rear. 20 God's righteousness doesn't grow from human anger. 21 So throw all spoiled virtue and cancerous evil in the garbage. In simple humility, let our gardener, God, landscape you with the Word, making a salvation-garden of your life.

### *From My Heart:*

*Life and "freedom", and perfect peace comes from reading GodsWord. OW- we are Gods Prize! We are saved and kept by Grace and grace alone, not by works or things we "do for God".*

*I believe, when we know Jesus as our personal Savior, we will "want to listen to what the voice of God and His Holy Spirit has to say; telling us which direction to go, what good choices to make, and who we can help; this will result in doing, working, and acting upon what He says. We Win! We receive the benefits, even though it's very difficult to obey sometimes.*

*Being quick to listen, is one of the hardest things for me to do. I talk a lot; but once again, He is the one that will "teach us" (do you have a teachable heart or do you feel you already know all the answers?) and give us the increasing gifts. The one I pray for every day is, "self-control"; one of the fruits of the Spirit. So we can listen and act upon what God says if we really want to, with His assistance and grace.*

*Listening is a challenge for all of us. Although, I am finding out, as I grow in the Lord, and learn how to be still long enough to listen, slow down, and be still; its comforting and peaceful! God has a reason for everything He tells us, and even though we can't see it all the time, its His best for us, His children.*

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*Be quick to listen—slow to speak. This is a big challenge in most of our lives, wouldn't you agree? I oftentime get a little "antsy" if there is too many "quiet moments" in a conversation, someone needs to be talking, "So let me do it, please".*

*I get in trouble for "interrupting" because I am afraid I will forget what I want to say. I really have to ask for help with this scripture lesson. This is the same with carrying on a conversation with God during quiet time; stop talking and thinking so I can hear someone else's voice besides mine. Thank you God that you speak to me through your Word all the time. I can see and hear that, I'm visual and He knows it; He designed me that way.*

*Now we will go on to learn what the scriptures tells us about being slow to anger. We all realize, nothing good comes from getting angry. Be ye angry AND sin not. I don't need to emphasize or add much to this scripture , it's self explanatory I would say. Its loud and clear.*

*Verse 21 tells us to get rid of filth and evil in our lives. We can only do this with Gods help, once again, call on Him. Help! Renew our minds with Gods Word, think God thoughts, you will have to work at it, it does not come "natural" or just happen by prayer alone. God guides us, then we need to hold on to His unchanging hand, walk it out, moment by moment, hour by hour, day by day, week by week, month by month, year by year. It's a process.*

## **R U Qualified?** **James 3:1-2**

### **NIV Version:**

1. Dear brothers and sisters, not many of you should become teachers in the church, for we who teach will be judged more strictly. 2. Indeed, we all make many mistakes. For if we could control our tongues, we would be perfect and could also control ourselves in every other way.

### **Message Version:**

1. Don't be in any rush to become a teacher, my friends. Teaching is highly responsible work. Teachers are held to the strictest standards. 2. And none of us is perfectly qualified. We get it wrong nearly every time we open our mouths. If you could find someone whose speech was perfectly true, you'd have a perfect person, in perfect control of life.

### *From My Heart:*

*This is interesting! I have had these two, very straight forward, self explanatory verses on my clip board for over a month now. Every time I sit down and read them, nothing comes to my heart and mind for sharing. About a week ago, when I sat down and looked at it, I underlined the words (above), that's as far as I got.*

#### **Words to look up during your quiet time**

**Teacher:** *Instruct, train, discipline, acquire knowledge, cause to know a subject, guided studies,*

**Church:** *The body of Christians, Christian worship place.*

**Judge:** *Determine, rule, form an opinion.*

**Strict:** *Severe discipline, exact, Pease, stringent in requirement or control.*

**Mistake:** *Blunder in choice, wrong judgment.*

**Control:** *Check, test, verify, be evidence, to have power over.*

**Perfect:** *Flawless, satisfying all requirements, complete, mature.*

*This morning, as I sat down to have my quiet time with the Father, I picked up my clip board with "James", then pulled out my dictionary and started looking up the word definitions. I still wasn't really "motivated" at this point, I just wanted to hear from God and "remain committed" to keeping my time with Him. My flesh really, really, wanted to go back to bed and sleep!*

*After completion of looking up the words, the Holy Spirit of God within me, began to speak to me! Now the Word was becoming ALIVE once again! Now, I know I can press on, and continue to learn and hear from the Father by completing the "11 Simple Steps" God gave me years ago. He planted these studying seeds in my heart in 2007. Go back to the "simple basics". God is so cool!*

*Before I share the scripture "amplified with the word definitions" I have to tell you, I take these two verses to heart! I am more accountable for my actions and lifestyle; the way I present Jesus to you and those I work with; knowing I'm going to be judged more "strictly" is a weighty command, and I don't take this calling lightly. I am ever so grateful to be called His Friend and Child, and to share His Life Giving Words! Thankful to Serve*

***Here we go:***

*Dear sisters, (brothers), not too many of you should become teachers, a woman who shares the Word of God to all those she comes in contact with, on a daily basis. To teach others, you are giving instructions and training. As you acquire knowledge of God's Word, through the Holy Spirit's guidance, you must have discipline to walk it out. We are an example of Jesus, people watchin us!*

*To be judged more strictly, is saying God requires a "severe disciplined" life, one that is controlled by Him and all His Word says. To be "filled with" the Fruits of His Holy Spirit: Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faith and Self-Control .*

*It's obvious, by the Word of God, we will make mistakes; we're never going to be perfect until we see Jesus in Heaven! The word mistake means to blunder in choice or make wrong judgments. I don't want to "blunder through life", do you?*

*We are to control, check, test, verify, the word that come from our tongue. Pray God will continually remind us of what we are going to say, what we said, and ask forgiveness "immediately" when its wrong, then move on again with new grace. The only one that keeps you down or tries to "condemn and remind you of your sin" is the devil, NOT GOD. Use the sword, the Word of God on the devil, that's what its for, WE WIN!*

*If we could walk without "blundering", we would be perfect, flawless, complete. Well, the "only way" this will ever happen, is when we enter the pearly gates and Jesus welcomes us home with open arms.*

The bit must overcome the wild nature of the horse, and the rudder must fight the winds and currents that would drive the ship off its course. The human tongue also must overcome the "contrary forces". This means that both the bit and the rudder must be "under the control" of a strong hand, (The Holy Spirit of God within us).

When Jesus Christ controls the tongue, then we need not fear saying the wrong things, or even saying the right things in a wrong way! Death and life are in the power of the tongue, warned Solomon in Proverbs 18:21. No wonder David prayed, “Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth keep the door of my lips. Incline not my heart to any evil thing”. Psalms 141:3-4.

The bit and rudder have the power to direct, which means they affect the lives of others. A runaway horse or shipwreck can mean injury or death to pedestrians or passengers.

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***The words we speak affect the lives of others.***

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A judge says “Guilty or Not Guilty!” AND THOSE WORDS AFFECT THE DESTINY OF THE PRISONER, HIS FAMILY, AND HIS FRIENDS. Never underestimate the guidance you give by the words you speak or do not speak. The power to direct: The bit and rudder.