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❖ I am not going to get this until I learn to listen

My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this:

Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and  
slow to become angry,



*James 1:19 (NIV)*

If we are ever going to make a difference in our world,  
we must learn to listen so we can understand and  
relate.



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To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some. I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings.



*1 Corinthians 9:22-23 (NIV)*



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*James 1:21 (NIV)*

(Indeed, when Gentiles, who do not have the law, do by nature things required by the law, they are a law for themselves, even though they do not have the law.

They show that **the requirements of the law are written on their hearts**, their consciences also bearing witness, and their thoughts sometimes accusing them and at other times even defending them.)



*Romans 2:14–15 (NIV)*





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*James 1:21 (NIV)*

Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to **keep oneself from being polluted by the world.**



*James 1:27 (NIV)*











The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.



*Galatians 5:19–21 (NIV)*

Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.



*Revelation 3:20 (NIV)*



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❖ I shouldn't just listen. I must do what it says!



Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.



*James 1:22 (NIV)*

Do not merely listen to the word, **and so deceive yourselves.** Do what it says.



*James 1:22-25 (NIV)*

Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like.



*James 1:22-25 (NIV)*

But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do.



*James 1:22-25 (NIV)*





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❖ Is my religion worthless?

Those who consider themselves religious and yet do not keep a tight rein on their tongues deceive themselves, and **their religion is worthless.**



*James 1:26 (NIV)*

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*James 1:27 (NIV)*

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