


Faith That Won't Save

James 2:14-26

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- ▶ **Warning: No room for error about what constitutes saving faith.**

Ephesians 2:8 & 9 -

- 8 For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, *it is* the gift of God;
- 9 not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Ephesians 2:10 -

¹⁰ For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.

(Main Assertions)

- I. Profession of faith
proves nothing.

Titus 1:16 -

¹⁶ They profess to know God,
but by *their* deeds they
deny *Him*, being detestable
and disobedient and
worthless for any good
deed.

Proverbs 3:27 & 28 -

- ²⁷ Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due,
When it is in your power to do *it*.
- ²⁸ Do not say to your neighbor,
“Go, and come back,
And tomorrow I will give *it*,”
When you have it with you.

I John 3:16 & 17 -

¹⁶ We know love by this, that He laid down His life for us; and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.

¹⁷ But whoever has the world's goods, and sees his brother in need and closes his heart against him, how does the love of God abide in him?

I John 3:18 -

¹⁸ Little children, let us not love with word or with tongue, but in deed and truth.

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- II. Those with dead faith substitute words for actions.

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III. Saving faith and works are inseparable.

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IV. Sound theology is
necessary for salvation
but not equal to
salvation.