

**MESSAGE NOTES**  
**The Way Forward**  
**A FAITH YOU CAN SEE**

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1. **CONTROLS ITS ANGER.**

*"My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires. Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you." James 1:19-21*

*"Whoever is slow to anger has great understanding, but he who has a hasty temper exalts folly."  
Proverbs 14:29 ESV*

2. **LIVES** by the word of God.

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

*"All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right. God uses it to prepare and equip his people to do every good work." 2 Timothy 3:16-17 NLT*

3. **PRESERVES** your credibility.

*"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*

*"Watch your tongue and keep your mouth shut, and you will stay out of trouble." Proverbs 21:23 NLT*

4. **UPLIFTS** those in need.

*"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*

*"Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them."  
1 John 2:15*

**ACTION STEPS:**

Practice listening.

Be doers of the word.

Make helping others a priority.