

James 1

Jas 1:1 James, a servant of YHWH and of the Lord Yeshua the Messiah, to the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad, greeting.

REJOICE in trials

Jas 1:2 My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers trials;

Jas 1:3 Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience [endurance].

Jas 1:4 But let patience [endurance] have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.

ASK for wisdom

Jas 1:5 If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of YHWH, that giveth to all liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.

Jas 1:6 But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed.

Jas 1:7 For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord.

Jas 1:8 A double minded man is unstable in all his ways.

REJOICE in your estate

Jas 1:9 Let the brother of low degree rejoice in that he is exalted:

Jas 1:10 But the rich, in that he is made low: because as the flower of the grass he shall pass away.

Jas 1:11 For the sun is no sooner risen with a burning heat, but it withereth the grass, and the flower thereof falleth, and the grace of the fashion of it perisheth: so also shall the rich man fade away in his ways.

ENDURE unto the end and blame not YHWH

Jas 1:12 Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.

Jas 1:13 Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of YHWH: for YHWH cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man:

Jas 1:14 But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed.

Jas 1:15 Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.

Jas 1:16 Do not err, my beloved brethren.

ALL GOOD comes from YHWH

Jas 1:17 Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and **cometh down from the Father of lights**, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.

Jas 1:18 Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

BE SWIFT TO HEAR, to listen, hear the WORD

Jas 1:19 Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath:

Jas 1:20 For the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of YHWH.

Jas 1:21 Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and **receive with meekness the engrafted word** [**Heb 8:10** *For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people:*], which is able to save your life.

WE MUST BE DOERS of the WORD, Obedient

Jas 1:22 **But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only**, deceiving your own selves.

Jas 1:23 For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass:

Jas 1:24 For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was.

Jas 1:25 But whoso looketh into the **perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work**, this man shall be blessed in his deed.

PURE RELIGION

Jas 1:26 If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain.

Jas 1:27 Pure religion and undefiled before YHWH the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.

While James 1 is self-explanatory, men's doctrines have erred on the Perfect Law of Liberty.

Perfect law of liberty

What law is spoken of here? The Greek word for law G3551 is really pretty broad. The Protestant reformers coming from the Catholic church while rejecting the Pope held onto many of the core beliefs of the Catholic church and missed the mark. Notice below in item 7 the author of the definition was of the persuasion the 10 Commandments were no longer required and thus his definition went to **Law-of-Liberty in Jesus for the redeemed**. While the blood of the Messiah does cleanse us from our past transgressions, this interpretation is in error since **it is impossible to be a DOER or a WORKER of the redemptive blood of Yeshua**. Interpreting the Law of Liberty this way leads one into iniquity; the doctrine is one of iniquity or lawlessness.

This perfect law of liberty is referring to the Law of YHWH, the 10 Commandments. The key to this understanding is LIBERTY G1657 which is freedom. When we then look into that perfect law of liberty, the perfect Law of YHWH which converts our hearts and **we continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work**, we will be liberated/freed from sin / transgression and the blood of Yeshua can cleanse us from all our past sin and we can be innocent of the great transgression/rebellion.

Ps 19:7 The law of YHWH is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of YHWH is sure, making wise the simple.

Ps 19:13 Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and **I shall be innocent from the great transgression/revolt**.

Yeshua condemned sin/transgression in the flesh, that we can live no longer in transgression. We can establish the righteousness of the Law. By continuing to obey the law we are freed from sin/transgression, it is a law of liberty/freedom to everyone that is a doer of the work of this law of YHWH.

Rom 8:3-4 For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, YHWH sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, **condemned sin in the flesh: that the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us**, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

Isa 48:18 O that thou hadst **hearkened to my commandments! then had thy peace been as a river**, and **thy righteousness as the waves of the sea**:

G3551 νόμος **nomos** (no'-mos) *n*.

1. (of antiquity) a regulation and its principle.

2. (*hence*) **law** (through the idea of prescriptive usage).
3. (*specially*) **the Torah-Law** (of Moses (and of Yahweh), including the volume, Psalms, and the Prophets. see [John 10:34](#) and [1 Corinthians 14:21](#)).
4. (*of flesh*) **the Law-of-Moral-Failure** (see [Romans 7:23](#), i.e. the law of the serpent).
5. (*of love*) **the Royal-Law of Scripture** (see [James 2:8](#), i.e. love Yahweh, and love your neighbor as yourself).
6. (*of tradition*) **the Oral-Law** (of tradition), **the Mishnah or Pharisaic law**.
7. (*of redemption*) **the complete Law-of-Liberty in Jesus for the redeemed** (see [James 1:25](#), [James 2:12](#), [Romans 8:2](#)).
8. (*of trust*) **a Law** (of Trust).

[from a primary nemo "to parcel out" (especially food or grazing to animals)]

Total KJV Occurrences: law – 177 laws - 2

G1657 **ἐλευθερία** **eleutheria** (e-lev-the-riy'-a) *n.*

freedom (legitimate or licentious, chiefly moral or ceremonial).

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Total KJV Occurrences: liberty – 11

G1658 **ἐλεύθερος** **eleutheros** (e-lev'-the-ros) *adj.*

1. **unrestrained** (to go at pleasure).
2. (*as a citizen*) **not a slave** (whether freeborn or set free (emancipated)).
3. (*genitive case*) **exempt** (from obligation or liability).

[probably from the alternate of [G2064](#)]

KJV: free (man, woman), at liberty