

# Message Notes

February 27, 2011

James: Faith for the Fight  
Religion – James 1:26-27  
Pastor Brian Schwarberg

## Faith:

◆ Faith is \_\_\_\_\_ the Word of God, and \_\_\_\_\_ upon it, no matter how I feel, because God promises a good result.

◆ It's not just what you believe that counts...it's what you believe enough \_\_\_\_ .

Those who consider themselves religious and yet do not keep a tight rein on their tongues deceive themselves, and their religion is worthless. 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 1:26-27 (NIV)

◆ Fake religion/Fake faith=The \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ don't match up. (Mt. 23:25-27)

◆ True religion/True faith=What is evident on the \_\_\_\_\_ makes clear what is on the \_\_\_\_\_. (Mt. 7:18-21)

## 3 Tests:

### ❶ Speech

◆ The tongue is an accurate index of the \_\_\_\_\_. (Matthew 12:34)

No Control (Fake religion/faith) \_\_\_\_\_ Control (True religion/faith)

❷ Caring for \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

◆ It is not an \_\_\_\_\_, it is an \_\_\_\_\_. (Ex. 22:22; Jer. 7:5-7; Dt. 14:28-29; Is 1; Mt:28; Acts 6)

Not my problem (Fake religion/faith) \_\_\_\_\_ My problem (True religion/faith)

### ❸ Holy Living

◆ What are you being \_\_\_\_\_ by? (John 15:19, 17:14; Rmns 12:2; 1 John 2:15-17)

Influence by World (Fake religion/faith) \_\_\_\_\_ Influenced by Jesus (True religion/faith)

## Springfield Action Team

For more information on each organization, please visit:  
[www.cherryhillfamily.org/ActLocally.asp](http://www.cherryhillfamily.org/ActLocally.asp)  
For more information on how to serve, please email  
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Beerlahai Roi  
Contact Ministries  
Feitshans Academy  
Mather Wells Neighborhood  
Salvation Army  
St. John's Breadline  
Washington Street Mission

## 2011 Mission Trips

For more information, please email [brian@cherryhillfamily.org](mailto:brian@cherryhillfamily.org)  
Juarez, Mexico – March 19-27; Apr. 16-23; July 23-30; Sept. 17-24  
White Earth, Minnesota – June 4-12  
China - June  
Pachuca, Mexico – October  
Haiti – Fall (October/November)

## Orphan & Adoption Resources

*All God's Children* – [www.allgodschildren.org](http://www.allgodschildren.org)  
*America World Adoption* – [www.awaa.org](http://www.awaa.org)  
*Angel's Cove (Domestic)* - [www.bchfs.com](http://www.bchfs.com)  
*Bethany Christian Services* – [www.bethany.org](http://www.bethany.org)  
*Dillon* – [www.dillonadopt.com](http://www.dillonadopt.com)  
*Foster Parenting* - [www.state.il.us/dcfs/foster/index.shtml](http://www.state.il.us/dcfs/foster/index.shtml)  
*In His Hands* – [www.inhishandsorphans.org](http://www.inhishandsorphans.org)  
*The Baby Fold (Domestic)* – [www.thebabyfold.org](http://www.thebabyfold.org)

Orphan & Adoption Conference – March 13, 2011  
@ Hope Church in Springfield  
1:00-5:00pm/\$12 fee at the door