

Faith For the Fight

Life Group Questions – January 23, 2011
Pastor Steve – Introduction (James 1:1)

Connect

1. Tell the group a little about yourself. Did you travel over Christmas/New Year's or did you stay in town?

Study

1. Why is James a good book to study as we continue to “declare war on shallow Christianity as a church, starting with ourselves”?
2. Read James 1:1. What stands out to you about James' introduction to this book? (feel free to refer to Message Notes)
3. Why is it important James introduced himself as a “servant”? Why is it crucial we do as well? What does being a servant require from us as we live our lives?
4. In your own words, what does it mean to make Christ “Lord” of our lives? Why is this THE key to everything else we will study the next 18 weeks?
5. What did Steve say is the *main theme* of *James*? Can you explain this in your own words?
6. As you read through *James* this week and did the exercise on the back of the Message Notes discuss as a group what you discovered *James* had to say about *true faith* in the following areas of our lives:
 - (a) Trials/Temptation
 - (b) Community
 - (c) Wealth/Poverty
 - (d) Sin/Satan/The World
 - (e) The Way We Speak
 - (f) Any other(s) you noticed...

Pray

Prayer requests – how can you specifically pray for each other this week?