

James 2:18-20



If someone genuinely believes 'I'm a Christian' and can go on living life unaffected by a relationship with Christ, is that person's profession of faith valid and useful?

FAITH WITHOUT WORKS IS USELESS

James 2:18 There's an attempt someone is making to separate faith from works and James' conclusion is it CAN'T be done

Hebrews 11:6 "Seek" = to investigate; scrutinize; crave after (there's an aspect of this work, which requires the person to worship)

"Show" = prove; demonstrate; expose to the eyes; to give evidence

James 2:19



Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Yes, God is one and if you believe that, you will love Him with ALL of your heart, soul and mind!!!

"You do well" on one hand, it is commendable that this person knows and believes correct **Biblical truth, however, unless** that faith goes farther, it will fail **James 2:19b**

There are NO skeptical demons; demons AREN'T atheists; demons know who God is - their 'faith' is already sight **Matthew 8:28-34**

There's NO doubt that the demons believe in Biblical truth, BUT, this head knowledge alone falls short



The implication from this text is that the demons 'faith' has MORE credibility than those who claim faith without works

"Shudder' = to shiver; to quake; to tremble (there's a tangible fear that grips these demons because of God's holiness **James 1:20**

"Recognize" = to know; to gain knowledge; to perceive



"Foolish" = vain; empty; devoid of truth (trying to separate faith from works leave you an empty person

"Useless" = idle; ineffective; shunning the work which one ought to perform (it connects 2 Greek words -"NO" and "Work")