



**As believers of **Jesus Christ**,  
something magical happens  
the moment we accept **Christ**  
as our **personal** Savior,  
formerly lifeless and dead  
(puppets) become **alive****



# James 2:21-26



**Both Abraham and Rahab  
trusted God, and they both  
acted upon their faith  
(they believed God and  
stepped out in faith  
trusting God)**





**ACTIVE & ALIVE FAITH**



# James 2:20

James gives **2** Old Testament examples (**Abraham** – the Father of the Jews and **Rahab** – a Gentile harlot)



**The common denominator  
between  
Rahab and Abraham-  
their faith was proven  
genuine by their works**



# James 2:21-24

When James uses “**Justified**”  
it means to “to exhibit **evidence**  
of righteousness; something  
being demonstrated  
and proved”





**Genesis 22:8**

**Genesis 22:9-10**

**Genesis 22:11-14**



**Abraham trusted that God  
would provide (both in his  
heart and through his actions)  
his faith was inseparable  
from his works  
James 2:21-23**



**“Perfected” = to complete; to bring to the end goal; to accomplish**

**The Greek word “perfected” is written in the passive voice, which means the perfecting was done by an outside source (God)**



# James 2:23

**“Reckoned” = to compute;  
to calculate; to deliberate;  
to weigh (an act of careful  
study, which leads to a  
conclusion)**



**James 2:24**

**James 2:25**



**It doesn't matter whether  
you're a patriarch or a  
prostitute... ANYONE is able  
to act on their faith**

**James 2:26**

