

# MORE THAN JUST LOOKING



**JAMES 1:22-25**

I. When we merely listen to the word, we deceive ourselves (James 1:22).



- Why is just feeling convicted not enough?
- How are we deceiving ourselves when we don't put it into practice?

## II. We need to learn a lesson from our mirrors (James 1:23-24).



- Why is this one of the all-time great illustrations?
- What is wrong with leaving a mirror without fixing the problem?
- Why is this 'mirror' more important?

### III. Mirrors cry out for action (James 1:23-24).



- What happens to us when we 'look intently' at our problems?
- What should we be doing instead of walking away and forgetting?
- Do the greatest regrets of your life have to do with hearing then not doing?

**IV. We are moved to stoop down and gaze at God's word (James 1:25).**



- What do men and angels need to carefully examine?
- What does the perfect law teach us about love, forgiveness and purity?

**V. When we do what we are to do we will be blessed in the doing (v.25).**



- **What lack of behavior leads to deception or destruction? (Matthew 7:24-27)**

- **What blessings come to those who persevere in doing God's will?**

**Call to Action: To  
purposely and diligently  
practice what we see in  
God's word.**



- Have you been deceiving yourself by merely hearing and feeling convicted?
- Are you going to treat God's word with more diligence than you treat your mirror?
- Are you stooping down to clearly see God's will?
- Are you continuing in doing His will so that you are secure in the storms of life?

**-How can we help?**