

PURE RELIGION

JAMES 1:19-27

DEFINE RELIGION

DOG FOR SALE

What picture comes to mind?
Dog you are familiar with

THEOLOGIANS DEFINITION

PRACTICAL DEFINITION

**DEFINITION OF RELIGION DEPENDS VIEW OF
GOD**

SHOULD BE BASED ON BIBLE

JAMES 1:19-27

My dear brothers, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, for man's anger does not bring about the righteous life that God desires. Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you. Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like a man who looks at his face in a mirror and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like.

But the man who looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues to do this, not forgetting what he has heard, but doing it--he will be blessed in what he does. If anyone considers himself religious and yet does not keep a tight rein on his tongue, he deceives himself and his 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.

CONTROL OF COMMUNICATION

QUICK TO HEAR

Two ears and one mouth

EFFECTS OF NOT LISTENING

Ignorance, misunderstanding, poor relationships

BENEFITS OF LISTENING

Knowledge, understanding, good relationships

CONTROL OUR ANGER

ANGER IS AN EMOTION, NEITHER GOOD NOR BAD

ALLOW ANGER CONTROL US

Violate will of God and harm others

CAUSES

Loss of control, great harm, sin

THINGS WE MUST REMOVE

FILTHINESS

Moral corruption all of it

WICKEDNESS

Overflowing or abundance of malice

Clean out heart before clean out life

ACCEPT THE WORD OF GOD

HUMILITY

do not dispute of doubt

IMPLANTED WORD

Seed planted and begins to germinate

Implanted, not just surface

OBEY WORD OF GOD

IF ONLY HEAR

Remains words on a page – delusional

Forgetful – forget what says

DOERS OF WORD

Study intently

Apply

VISIT WIDOWS AND ORPHANS

HELP THOSE IN DISTRESS

Matthew 25:31-46

KEEP OURSELVES UNSPOTTED

Continue purge sin from lives

Understand world and church
