

# DERAILED: Part 6 Am I Changed?

## ICE BREAKER QUESTIONS

1. In one word, what is the greatest challenge you have faced this month?
2. Describe one past action (big or small) you took to improve the quality of life.

## WORD

Salvation is a matter of God imparting new life through His word of truth when we repent and accept Jesus as our Lord and Savior. But the important question to ask ourselves is “Is there any evidence of a changed heart or new life in Christ? Just as a newborn baby cries just after he/she comes out of her mother’s womb gives a clear evidence that he/she is alive and well, same with a new believer who lives in the truth of God gives evidence of his/her new life in Christ. (What does the baby do after they come out from their mother’s womb? Whahhh...) The evidence of a New Life in Christ, our desire is changed, we were alienated from God, now, we are reconciled to God, receptive to the truths of God’s Word. Let us learn the results of a changed lives in James 1:19-21

James 1:19-21 (NIV84) 19 My dear brothers, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, 20 for man’s anger does not bring about the righteous life that God desires. 21 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. James 1:19-21 (NLT) 19 Understand this, my dear brothers and sisters: You must all be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to get angry. 20 Human anger does not produce the righteousness God desires. 21 So get rid of all the filth and evil in your lives, and humbly accept the word God has planted in your hearts, for it has the power to save your souls.

## DISCUSSION

How can Christians identify areas of sin that are not changed?

## **WORD**

Apostle James said that “21 So get rid of all the filth and evil in your lives,...(NLT) The word filth in this text is moral filth which means something that is obvious or normal in the world’s eyes but unclean in God’s eyes. When God has given us a new life through His word, our heart is changed by His word.

### ***Thessalonians 2:13***

*“Therefore, we never stop thanking God that when you received his message from us, you didn’t think of our words as mere human ideas. You accepted what we said as the very word of God—which, of course, it is. And this word continues to work in you who believe.”*

### ***1 Peter 1:23***

*“For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God.”*

## **DISCUSSION**

1. What areas of your life has been changed by God’s word? Share one area.
2. Anger is often such a quick emotional response. How can an angry person gain control so as not to react quickly.

## **LIFE APPLICATION**

James 1:19

1. A changed heart Change life: Be quick to hear.
2. A changed heart Change words: Be slow to speak.
3. A changed heart Change character: Be slow to anger.

## **VERSE TO MEDITATE ON**

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# **PRAYER**

Share your answered prayer. Pray for one another and throughout this week.

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