

# Faith That Works! (Series on the book of James)

## 4: Strategy For Personal Growth

James 1:19-21

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Bottom Line:

Having a heart that is teachable and submissive to the Word of God is essential in growing a godly life and building godly relationships.

### 1. Transformation flourishes with key “\_\_\_\_\_” skills. James 1:19

Three vital skills for transformation are....

A. Great, effective \_\_\_\_\_ v. 19

Teachable:

A person who is yielded to God characterized by humility, a willingness to change, and the ability to receive instruction from God's Word and others.



B. Thoughtful, prayerful \_\_\_\_\_ v. 19

C. Controlled, patient \_\_\_\_\_ v. 19

Reminders to help minimize outbursts of anger:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ and think (pray) before you speak. (Prov. 15:1)
2. \_\_\_\_\_ at the situation from God's point of view.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ to the person you are angry with.

### 2. Transformation rejoices in God's great \_\_\_\_\_ James 1:21

A. Identify those things that need to be “\_\_\_\_\_” v. 21

B. Identify those things that you need to “\_\_\_\_\_” v. 21

Now What? Steps to real change:

- \_\_\_\_\_ your passion to do life God's way. (“put away - receive”)
- Ask God to develop in you a teachable heart.
- \_\_\_\_\_ problem areas & walk through them ahead of time.
- Seek God in the midst of your struggle.
- Learn from past \_\_\_\_\_.
- Commit to attack problems not people.
- Practice the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ.