

DERAILED: Am I a servant?

ICE BREAKER QUESTIONS

1. In your own words, define what is a servant?

2. What do you do during your free time?

WORD

True faith means **our hearts have been changed, and a changed heart is demonstrated through action.** Faith with no demonstrable action is no real faith at all. It's dead, James tells us, like a body without a spirit. A train parked 11 km west of Lac-Mégantic, the unattended train started roll away that causes a threat to the small town, not only to the 6,000 people that lives there but the properties in the surrounding areas as well.

Like our faith. If it is not alive and active, it could endanger us or the people surround us.

James 1:1 (NIV84)

1 James, a servant of God and the Lord Jesus Christ,

*To the twelve tribes scattered among the nations:
Greetings.*

Who is James? James is a half- brother of Jesus which at first did not believe Jesus as the Lord and Messiah. James believed Jesus as Lord and Messiah right after the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. (Galatians 1:18-19) Also, James is the leader of the church in Jerusalem. (Acts 15 & 21)

DISCUSSION

If you are a half -brother/half- sister of Jesus, how would you relate to him? And what would be your response when you find out that He is Lord and Messiah?

WORD

Ephesians 2:1-5 (NIV)

*1 As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, 2 in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient. 3 All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our flesh and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature deserving of wrath. 4 But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, 5 **made us alive with Christ** even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved.*

Our faith become alive because of his great love for us and because God is rich in mercy. It is a huge turnaround from serving yourself “3 *All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our flesh and following its desires and thoughts.*” And “2 *in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air,*”

Faith start from hearing the message of Christ,
Faith become alive when know Christ,
Faith become active when we start serving Christ.

DISCUSSION

How is your faith in serving God at the moment? Share a time when your faith fades away and how did you overcome it?

LIFE APPLICATION

You don't want to be derailed? Let us keep our faith alive and active. Faith becomes alive when we start serving God and serve others like our church community. When we serve God, our faith becomes stronger

VERSE TO MEDITATE ON

“even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve,
and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

---Matthew 28:20

PRAYER

Share your prayer request and pray for one another.

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