



# International Bible Study Commentary

Verse-by-Verse Bible Lessons Thru the Bible

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## James 1:9-18 Study Hints for Discussion

[\*Study Hints for Discussion and Thinking Further\*](#) are not actually intended to be *the answers* to the discussion questions. These indeed are “hints” a teacher may use to help students think through and discuss the questions in class. The [\*Class Preparation Guide\*](#) includes the questions below, and it can be given to students at the end of the previous class; then, they can pray, read, and think ahead to prepare for the next week’s Bible lesson. And/Or, consider giving each student the [\*Verse-by-Verse Scripture Handout\*](#), which includes the Bible verses to be studied before class and other questions.

### **1. How might the lowly or poor believer be raised up?**

They may be gifted by Jesus and raised up as pastors, teachers, and leaders in the church. They will be raised up after they die and go to heaven.

### **2. What will happen to everyone? What will happen to rich unbelievers?**

Everyone will die unless Christ returns before they die. No matter how rich they are rich unbelievers will die and leave all their riches and the false security of their wealth behind them.

### **3. What happens after a believer endures temptations and passes the test?**

They will receive the crown of life that the Lord has promised those who love Him.

### **4. Why do people sin? What are the consequences of practicing sin?**

They are tempted by their own desires and/or emotions. The practice of sin gives birth to death.

**5. What is one of the things God uses that James mentioned that lead people to faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior? What are the types of gifts that God gives to believers?**

Truth. Good and perfect gifts according to James' teaching in these verses. Of course, the Bible lists even more gifts in detail, but all God's gifts are both good and perfect.

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