

THE SINGLE MIND

Jas 1:1-8 (KJV) James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, to the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad, greeting. ²My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; ³Knowing *this*, that the trying of your faith worketh patience. ⁴But let patience have *her* perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing. ⁵If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all *men* liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him. ⁶But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. ⁷For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord. ⁸A double minded man *is* unstable in all his ways.

A double minded: *two spirited*, that is, *vacillating* (in opinion or purpose):

Psa 12:1-2 (KJV) To the chief Musician upon Sheminith, A Psalm of David. Help, LORD; for the godly man ceaseth; for the faithful fail from among the children of men. ²They speak vanity every one with his neighbour: *with* flattering lips *and* **with a double heart** do they speak.

The single mind is the mind RULED BY THE WORD and CONTROLLED BY THE FORCE OF PATIENCE.

Luk 21:12-19 (KJV) But before all these, they shall lay their hands on you, and persecute *you*, delivering *you* up to the synagogues, and into prisons, being brought before kings and rulers for my name's sake. ¹³And it shall turn to you for a testimony. ¹⁴Settle *it* therefore in your hearts, not to meditate before what ye shall answer: ¹⁵For I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which all your adversaries shall not be able to gainsay nor resist. ¹⁶And ye shall be betrayed both by parents, and brethren, and kinsfolks, and friends; and *some* of you shall they cause to be put to death. ¹⁷And ye shall be hated of all *men* for my name's sake. ¹⁸But there shall not an hair of your head perish. ¹⁹**In your patience possess ye your souls.**

Possess: to get, acquire, own - obtain, provide, purchase.

Rom 5:1-5 (KJV) Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: ²By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. ³And not only *so*, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience; ⁴And patience, experience; and experience, hope: ⁵And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

MAN OF TWO MINDS:

Jas 1:8 (KJV) A double minded man *is* unstable in all his ways.

Jas 1:8 (AMP) [*For being as he is*] a man of two minds (hesitating, dubious, irresolute), [*he is*] unstable and unreliable and uncertain about everything [*he thinks, feels, decides*].

Unstable: inconstant

Jas 4:8 (KJV) Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse *your* hands, *ye* sinners; and purify *your* hearts, *ye* double minded.

Jas 4:8 (AMP) Come close to God and He will come close to you. [Recognize that you are] sinners, get your soiled hands clean; [realize that you have been disloyal] wavering individuals with divided interests, and purify your hearts [**of your spiritual adultery**].

Double minded: two spirited, that is, vacillating (in opinion or purpose):

Luk 11:17 (KJV) But he, knowing their thoughts, said unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and a house *divided* against a house falleth.

A house divided against itself will fall!

Any thing divided against itself will fall!

This is the basic truth of double-mindedness.

Without receiving from God failure is inevitable.

THE DOUBLE MIND TRIES TO LIVE ON FAITH AND FEAR AT THE SAME TIME!

1Jn 4:18 (KJV) There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.

Heb 11:6 (KJV) But without faith *it is* impossible to please *him*: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and *that* he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

The double mind: “I’ll serve God as I can; But I do have to make a living or I do have to be concerned about my friends or I have to consider how people see me!”

The Word ruled mind: “I’ll do whatever God says and He will supply all of my need, whether it be finances, friends, or how people look at me.”

Luk 10:38-42 (KJV) Now it came to pass, as they went, that he entered into a certain village: and a certain woman named Martha received him into her house. ³⁹And she had a sister called Mary, which also sat at Jesus' feet, and heard his word. ⁴⁰But Martha was cumbered about much serving, and came to him, and said, Lord, dost thou not care that my sister hath left me to serve alone? bid her therefore that she help me. ⁴¹And Jesus answered and said unto her, Martha, Martha, thou art careful and troubled about many things: ⁴²But one thing is needful: and Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her.

MARY CHOSE TO SIT AT THE FEET OF JESUS AND LEARN.

THE WORD RULED MIND NEVER PREPARES TO FAIL!

THE WORD RULED MIND PREPARES FOR SUCCESS, TO OVERCOME, BE VICTORIOUS, TO WALK IN FAVOR, TO HAVE GOD'S WISDOM, TO BE AN OVERCOMER, TO BE STRONG IN THE LORD AND THE POWER OF HIS MIGHT, TO WALK IN FAITH AND NOT IN FEAR.

THE WORD RULED MIND SPEAKS THE WORD OF GOD IN ANY GIVEN SITUATION OR CIRCUMSTANCE.

HOW IS YOUR MIND?