

A close-up photograph of a hand holding a small, square mirror. The mirror reflects a person's blue eye and part of their face. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

*Why James  
calls Scripture a  
Mirror*

IGNORANT = unfamiliar, oblivious  
(*unawareness*) Liability = **innocent**

IGNORE = neglect, disregard  
(*awareness*) Liability = **guilt**

So it is with God.

**Knowledge = Accountability**

God's Word is God's TRUTH meant  
for direction and transformation  
of each person's heart

## Regarding God's Word:

- ✓ humbly accept it (21)
- ✓ do not merely "hear" it (22)
- ✓ Do what it says. (23)

Two houses... Different foundations =  
**success vs. disaster**

# THE MIRROR

Look ► Leave ► Forget (Casual Approach)  
\* passive listening NO IMPACT!



LOOK ► Modify ► Remember  
(Careful Approach)

\***serious** listening    FULL IMPACT!

“Do not merely “listen” to the Word and so  
DECEIVE yourselves... *(1:22)*

If I will not **admit** sin or resist **confronting** sin or refuse to **forsake** sin in my own life, I have not been born again and do not actually love God.

\*My attitude is ultimately betrayed  
by my **practice**.

\*My motive is ultimately revealed  
by my **response** to what I've learned.

\*Pure motive... submissive will... delight  
in God's law

When my heart is sincere, I love  
to do what God's Word **COMMANDS**  
because I know that it is the will  
of God. And these acts of obedience  
God will bless!