

James and Jesus - Teaching the Master's Message

Critics claim that if the epistle was written by the brother of the Lord, Jesus would be mentioned more prominently. But when examined closely the book mirrors the teachings of Jesus throughout. It has been said that essentially James is teaching **OF** Jesus, therefore there is not much teaching **ABOUT** Jesus.

Read the following passages out loud and listen to the similarity between what Jesus taught (mostly in the Sermon on the Mount and what James taught:

JESUS TAUGHT:

Matthew 5:48

Matthew 7:7, Mark 11:23

Matthew 7:11

Matthew 7:24; 26; John 13:17

Matthew 5:3; Luke 6:20

Matthew 7:12; 22:39

Matthew 5:7

Matthew 7:16

Matthew 5:9

Matthew 5:8

Matthew 23:12

Matthew 7:1

Matthew 6:19

Matthew 24:33

Matthew 5:11, 12

Matthew 5:34, 35

JAMES WROTE:

James 1:4

James 1:5

James 1:17

James 1:22, 25

James 2:5

James 2:8

James 2:13

James 3:12

James 3:18

James 4:8

James 4:10

James 4:11

James 5:2

James 5:9

James 5:10, 11

James 5:12

There are certainly many other allusions to the teachings of Christ throughout the book. This list is comprehensive, but not exhaustive.