

MANY JACOBS IN THE NEW TESTAMENT:

SON OF ZEBEDEE
BROTHER OF JESUS (SEE MARK 6:3)
SON OF ALPHAIUS

JESUS TWELVE DISCIPLES (SEE MARK 3:16-19)

AKA. JACOB
HEBREW: YA'AKOV
GREEK: IAKOBOS

THE LETTER OF JAMES

THE LEGACY OF JACOB'S WISDOM
A LETTER TO: ALL OF JESUS' FOLLOWERS

TWO MAIN INFLUENCES:

JESUS' TEACHING - especially the SERMON ON THE MOUNT (SEE MATTHEW 5-7)

THE BOOK OF PROVERBS - especially CHAPTERS 1-7

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SHORT WISDOM SPEECHES FULL OF METAPHORS & ONE-LINERS

SEE ACTS 12:15, GALATIANS 1:2
- LEADER OF THE MESSIANIC MOTHER CHURCH IN JERUSALEM
- LIVED THROUGH FAMINE, POVERTY, & PERSECUTION

SUMS UP THE BOOK'S MAIN IDEAS & KEY WORDS

1 INTRODUCTION

REPEATED 7 TIMES!
HEBREW: TAMIM
GREEK: TELEIOS
"WHOLENESS" & INTEGRITY
VS.
FRACTURED & INCONSISTENT

v2-1 LIFE'S TRIALS PRODUCE ENDURANCE & CAN MAKE US PERFECT

v5-8 GOD GIVES WISDOM TO THOSE WHO ASK IN FAITH

v19-27 DON'T JUST LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD, BUT DO IT.
THE TORAH OF FREEDOM
CALLS US TO:
- SPEAK WITH LOVE
- SERVE THE POOR
- TO BE WHOLLY DEVOTED TO GOD

JESUS' SUMMARY OF THE TORAH: LOVE GOD & LOVE NEIGHBOR
SEE MATTHEW 22:37-40

v5:19-20 RESTORING OTHERS
SEE MATTHEW 18:15

v5:13-18 FAITH-FILLED PRAYER
SEE MATTHEW 21:21-22

v5:12 LET YOUR "YES" TELLING THE TRUTH MEAN "YES"
SEE MATTHEW 5:37

v2:1-13 FAVORITISM VS. LOVE
YOU GOT THIS!

v2:14-26 GENUINE FAITH
DEAD FAITH
SURE, I BELIEVE... STAY WARM, FRIEND!

v9-11 POVERTY CAN FORCE US TO TRUST GOD: WEALTH WILL PASS AWAY

v12-18 GOD IS GENEROUS & GIVES US NEW BIRTH THROUGH JESUS

v5:1-6 THE DANGER OF WEALTH
YOUR WEALTH WILL ROT, JUST LIKE YOU!

v1:13-17 THE ARROGANCE OF WEALTH
ESTIMATED PROFITS
YOUR LIFE IS JUST A MIST!

v5:7-11 PATIENCE & ENDURANCE
COME, LORD...
SEE MATTHEW 24:13

v3:1-12 THE TONGUE
PRAISE GOD!
YOU IDIOT!

v3:13-18 TRUE VS. FALSE WISDOM
SEE MATTHEW 5:3-11

v1:1-10 A DIVIDED HEART
SEE MATTHEW 6:21

v4:11-12 CONDEMNING OTHERS
SEE MATTHEW 12:36-37

2-5 12 TEACHINGS ABOUT WHOLEHEARTED DEVOTION TO JESUS