

Sermon Notes – August 21, 2022

Justified by Works?! What?? (*James 2:20-26*)

- I. Believing faith is authenticated by fruitful faith. (*Vs. 20*)
 - A. Fruitfulness is evidence of a dynamic relationship.
 - 1. The parable of the sower.
 - 2. Abiding in Christ. (*John 15:4-5*)
 - B. Fruitlessness is useless in the kingdom of God.
 - 1. 2 Peter 1:8
 - 2. John 15:6

- II. Believing faith is authenticated by sacrificial obedience.
 - A. Abraham believed God.
 - 1. Genesis 15:6
 - 2. Romans 4:3
 - B. Abraham proved his faith.
 - 1. Genesis 22
 - 2. Hebrews 11:8, 17

- III. Believing faith is authenticated by practical trust.
 - A. Rahab believed the testimony of God.
 - 1. Joshua 2:1-11
 - B. Rahab trusted the testimony of God.
 - 1. Joshua 2:12-14
 - C. Rahab reflected the testimony of God.
 - 1. Woman/prostitute
 - 2. Gentile
 - 3. Family of God. (*Matthew 1:5*) (*Hebrews 11:31*)