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**WORKS**  
A STUDY IN JAMES

**James 5:19-20**



# The Tests of James

# The Danger of Wandering (19a)

**Hebrews 2:1** Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it.

**1 Timothy 1:19** holding faith and a good conscience. By rejecting this, some have made shipwreck of their faith,


**1 John 2:19** They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us. But they went out, that it might become plain that they all are not of us.





# ① Who are the Wanderers?

1. We were all Once **Wanderers**

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2. They were **'among us'**
- a. They may be **Christians**
  - b. They may Not be **Christians**



## ② How did they Wander?

1. They Wander **Gradually**
2. They Wander **Willfully**



## ③ What do they Wander From?

1. They Wander from the **Truth**



**Believe** the Truth (Jn 14:6)


**Obey** the Truth (Gal 5:7)

**Love** the Truth (2 Thess. 2:10)

**Speak** the Truth (Eph 4:25)

**Grow in** the Truth (Heb 5:12-13)

**Sanctify in** the Truth (Jn 17:19)

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2. They Wander from the **Church**
  3. They Wander from **Morality**

# The Rescue Mission (19b)

*Rescue the perishing, care for the dying, snatch them in pity from sin and the grave; weep o'er the erring one, lift up the fallen, tell them of Jesus the mighty to save. Rescue the perishing, care for the dying; Jesus is merciful, Jesus will save.*

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- 1 This is all our Responsibility
  - 2 This is Hard Work

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1. In **Love** (Prov 10:12)
  2. In **Integrity** (Mat 7:3-5)
  3. In **Gentleness** (Gal 6:1)
  4. In **Prayer** (I Jn 5:16)
  5. In **Confrontation** (Ezek 3:18)
  6. In **Discipline** (I Cor 5:1-5)



## 3 This is Gospel Work

1. Jesus is the Good Shepherd
2. Jesus is the Father of the Prodigal
3. Jesus Restores Peter



# The Results

1. They will be **Saved from Death**
2. They will be **Forgiven**



# The Application

1. Am I Wandering?
2. How am I reaching Wanderers?