Walk This Way Doing is Believing

Introduction - **TRIALS** give an undeniable opportunity to hear God more clearly. - James 1:19

I. Hearing Means **DOING**

- Two opportunities: harsh/coarseness or submissive reception
 James 1:21; 1:18
- One sours us on life the other makes life worth living
- Be (Greek: Ginomai) continue being reveals the constant struggle;
 doers are transformed, hearers only are deceived James 1:22
- Example: There is a blemish!! James 1:23-25
- Looks (Greek: Parakypto) magnified mirror
- Freedom and Law contradiction: restrictions and their absence...
 What?

II. Doing Means **MERCY**

- True religion (Greek Threskeia) outward service versus empty religion - James 1:26-27; Talk versus helping the destitute
- Beware of favoritism (Greek Diakrinomai) James 2:1-4; Same as doubter in James 1:6
- The poor (helpless) need mercy; God's secret riches James 2:5-8;
 Royal in quality
- Judge as you would want to be judged James 2:9-13
- Mercy is so basic to Christian living that it is impossible for a true believer not to have it

- Takeaway:
 - 1. Difficulty helps us to look closer to be transformed
 - 2. Giving mercy reveals our faith

Conclusion - What is God **SPEAKING** to you about today?!