Life Verse

"Faith & Deeds": James 2:14-18
August 3-4, 2013: Dave Stewart, Global Outreach Pastor

James and Jesus were half-brothers.

James has an engaging personality and style.

He's obviously humble.

James absolutely believed Jesus was who He said He was.

"What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save them? Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to them, 'Go in peace; keep warm and well fed,' but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it? In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead. But someone will say, 'You have faith; I have deeds.' Show me your faith without deeds, and I will show you my faith by my deeds." James 2:14-18

James isn't talking about works as a means of salvation; he's saying works prove our faith is real.

Only God knows the true heart of a man or woman.

True faith in Christ moves you to true religion.

If you define your faith as "private and personal" and no one else ever sees it, it's dead!

The true meaning of poor is someone mired in a spiritual poverty.

Five for the Drive

A family conversation starter for the ride home

- 1. How can you tell when someone loves and puts his trust in Jesus?
- 2. Share an example in your life when your actions demonstrated your faith?
- 3. When is it difficult to put your faith into action?
- 4. Why does faith without actions come across empty to others?
- 5. What is a practical way you can share your faith this week through your actions?

Ministry Opportunities

For more information about these and other events, go to SavannahChristian.com/Events.

Men's Breakfast

8 - 10 a.m. Saturdays starting Aug. 10

Adult Ministry Center Auditorium across the street

Enjoy food, fellowship and Bible study for men at Henderson Campus. Join us as we continue our study in the book of Romans. This is an excellent way to get connected with our Men's Ministry. You will also hear about upcoming classes, small groups and events. A \$5 donation is requested to cover the cost of the meal. No registration needed. For more information, visit SavMen.com.

Man UP

5 – 8 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 11

New Ebenezer Retreat Center - 2887 Ebenezer Rd. Rincon, GA 31326

Men from all campuses are invited join us for baked chicken and peach cobbler. Meet men from other campuses and hear about events coming up this fall. This is a great opportunity to get plugged in to Men's Ministry. Register at a Connection Kiosk by Sunday, Aug. 4. Tickets are \$12. Please keep your receipt to use as your entry ticket.

Spanish Classes

6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Mondays, Aug. 12 - Sept. 30

Adult Ministry Center across the street, Room 121

Volunteers in our Hispanic Ministry will be teaching this 8-week Spanish classes for beginner, intermediate and advanced levels. Learn a new language so you can connect with Spanish speakers. Please bring \$5 per person to cover the curriculum cost. For more information, contact Carolyn at (912) 629-4764 or cagee@savannahchristian.com.

Effective Parenting in a Defective World

9:15 – 10:30 a.m. Sundays, Aug. 18 – Oct. 13

Adult Ministry Center across the street, Room 210

How can you raise your child to follow God's will rather than the world's? This fun and encouraging class will help you strengthen your relationship with your child and help you prepare them to live in our world by following God's principles. Register at a Connection Kiosk or contact Melody at mpullin@savannahchristian.com.