

## Questions to Consider — Lesson 5 — “The Greatest Gift of All” — James 1:16-18

1. Read the whole book of James. (a) Record each occurrence, chapter and verse, when James used the word *brethren* or *beloved brethren*. (b) Why do you think James uses those terms?
2. Memorize James 1:17.
3. Read 2 Chronicles 20:1-30. (a) What was Jehoshapat’s particular trial? (b) How did he choose to focus on God’s goodness? (c) What was the result?
4. Read Moses’ rehearsal of Israel’s failure at Kadesh-barnea in Deuteronomy chapter 1. (a) What were the good gift(s) God was giving them? (b) What was the Israelite’s response? (c) How did God respond to their ingratitude? (d) What principle(s) can you glean from this account?
5. (a) Why did God save you? See the following verses. (Each one should produce a different answer.) John 15:16; 1 Thessalonians 2:12; 1 Peter 1:15-16; and 1 Peter 2:9. (b) Would you say that these are the qualities that exemplify your life? Why or why not?
6. Everyday write down at least ten “good and perfect gifts” that the Lord has blessed you with. (You should end up with a total of 70.) Praise and thank Him for each one!
7. We are the “firstfruits” of His creation. We are born again to serve Him. How are you serving the Lord? What are you giving back to Him? Is there some area of ministry that He is calling you to? Pray and then OBEY!
8. Write a praise of thanksgiving to God for your salvation!