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Connect to a GREATER GOD, to a GREATER COMMUNITY, and to a GREATER LIFE

Where is Your Life Investment?

Theme: James – Faith that Works

(Less about your talk – more about your walk)

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- A. (Image) Redeem the Time that You Have (Ephesians 5:16)
- B. We Need to break the Cycle of Sin and Invest in What Really Matters
- C. Text: James 1:9-18

II. Invest in What Really Matters because... (James 1:9-12)

- A. The Things of this World will Pass Away (Luke 12:16-21)
(Proverbs 1:20-30)
 - B. Trusting in the Lord Ends in Reward (1 Corinthians 9:15; 1 Thessalonians 2:19; 2 Timothy 4:8; 1 Peter 5:4)
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III. Own Your Bad Investments because... (James 1:13-15)

- A. I Can't blame God or Anyone Else (Matthew 6:13; James 4:7)
 - B. I Must break the vicious Cycle of lust and Sin (Proverbs 7:22; 23:31
Judges 13-16; Romans 6:23)
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IV. Godly Investment is Worth it! (James 1:16-18)

- A. God Meant Life to be Good and Very Good (Gen 1:4, 10, 12, ...)
 - B. In the End its Back to Good and Very Good (Revelation 21-22)
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- V. **Conclusion:** Is there a Vicious Cycle that Needs to be Broken? Is there a Ritual that needs to be Stopped? Is there sin to Confess? Is there fantasy that keeps me from dealing with Reality?
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