

**James: Faith that Works**  
**A Fruitful Faith (2:20-26)**

**Introduction:** James concludes his case for a fruitful faith with two pieces of evidence from the Old Testament. *James 2:14-19*

**Exhibit A:** \_\_\_\_\_ (*vv.20-24*) *Romans 4:1-3*

**I. Two Stages of** \_\_\_\_\_ (*v.23*)

A. \_\_\_\_\_: Our Standing Before God  
*2 Corinthians 5:21*

B. \_\_\_\_\_: Our Living for God

**II. Two Opposing Kinds of** \_\_\_\_\_ (*vv.20-22*)

A. \_\_\_\_\_-driven works to gain God's favor  
*Galatians 3, Romans 3-4, Ephesians 2:8-9; Isaiah 64:6-7; Romans 6:23*

B. \_\_\_\_\_-developed fruits to give God glory  
*Romans 1:5; Galatians 5:6, 22-23; Genesis 15:16*

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**III. Two Stages of \_\_\_\_\_ (v.24)**

A. The New Birth is \_\_\_\_\_ by faith.

B. The New Birth is \_\_\_\_\_ by Works.

**Exhibit B: \_\_\_\_\_ (v.25) *Joshua 2:1-24, 6:22-27***

**1. She received salvation through radical \_\_\_\_\_.**

**2. She risked her life through radical \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Conclusion: The Closing Argument (v.26) *Ephesians 2:8-10***