



Welcome!

Children up to 5th Grade dismissed.

6th Grade and above please remain.

Feedback Survey !

Oak Ridge North Church Plant Feedback

On Sunday, October 24, 2021, the pastors announced that a church plant was being considered in the near future.

In 2017 Oak Ridge Community Church sought the Lord and clarified our vision and direction as a church. This renewed vision anticipated that Life groups would grow into Community groups, which would grow and plant new churches into our local geographic communities. This process is a natural and healthy part of the New Testament model of Christianity that we affirm!

We are now at a major decision point: part of this overall vision for Oak Ridge includes planting a church in Carroll County. The elders are united in this vision, but we are still discussing the details of the plan including timing and methods.

This discussion is probably not a surprise to any of you, but we acknowledge that we have not shared many details up to this point. Today marks the beginning of a period of deliberate church-wide engagement.

Congregational Meeting

Special Sundays at TGP

November 7th - Prayer Social

December 5th - Christmas Pot-Luck

Patapsco Room following Service

faithwalkersconference.com

COURAGEOUS



December 29-January 1

T H E B O O K O F

JAMES

F A I T H I N M O T I O N



Put your money where
your



Don't just stand there,
do



Practice what you ...



Faith without works is ...

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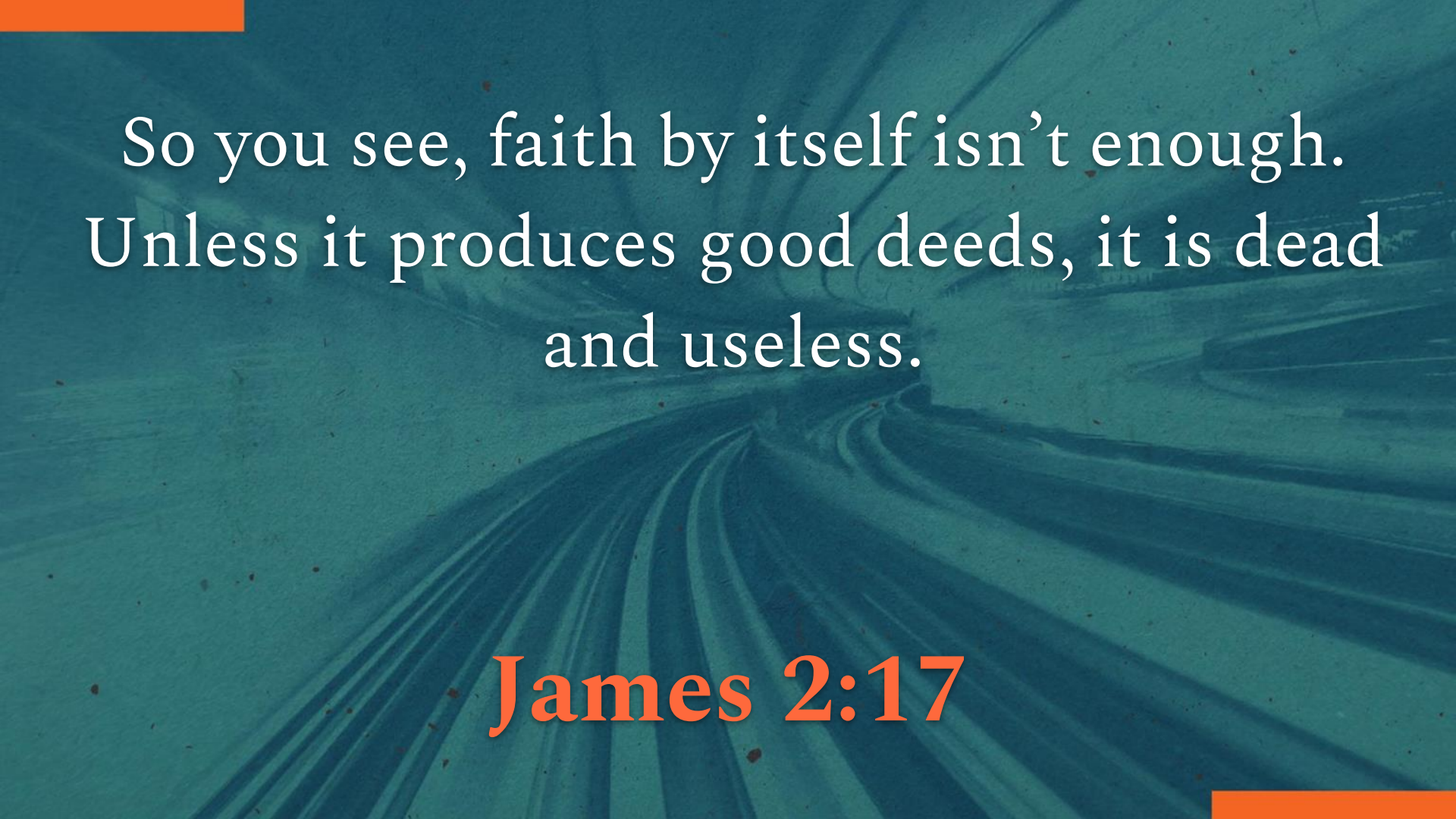
James 2:14-26

What good is it, dear brothers and sisters,
if you say you have **faith** but don't **show** it
by your actions? Can that kind of faith
save anyone? Suppose you see a brother or
sister who has no food or clothing,

James 2:14-15 NLT

and you say, “Good-bye and have a good day; stay warm and eat well”—but then you don’t give that person any food or clothing. What good does that do?

James 2:16



So you see, faith by itself isn't enough.
Unless it produces good deeds, it is dead
and useless.

James 2:17

Now someone may argue, “Some people have faith; others have good deeds.” But I say, “How can you **show** me **your faith** if you don’t have good deeds? I will show you my faith by my good deeds.”

James 2:18

You say you have faith, for you believe that there is one God. Good for you! Even the demons believe this, and they tremble in terror. How foolish! Can't you see that faith without good deeds is useless?

James 2:19-20 (ref. Gen. 22)

Don't you remember that our ancestor Abraham was **shown** to be right with God by his actions when he offered his son Isaac on the altar? You see, his faith and his actions worked together. His actions made his faith complete.

James 2:21-22

And so it happened just as the Scriptures say: “Abraham believed God, and God counted him as righteous because of his faith.” He was even called the friend of God.

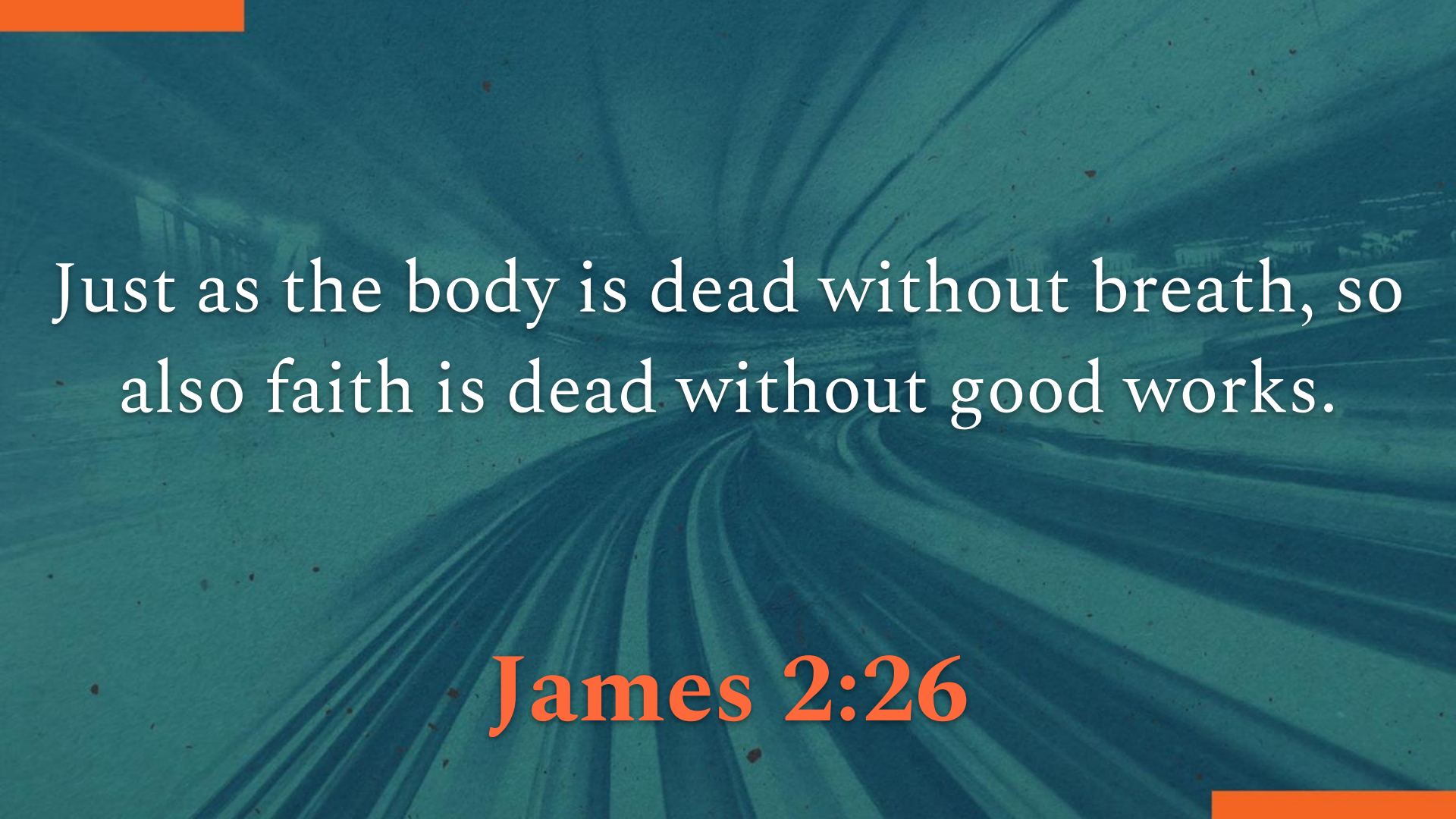
James 2:23

So you see, we are **shown** to be right with
God by what we do, not by faith alone.

James 2:24

Rahab the prostitute is another example. She was **shown** to be right with God by her actions when she hid those messengers and sent them safely away by a different road.

James 2:25 (ref. Joshua 2)



Just as the body is dead without breath, so
also faith is dead without good works.

James 2:26



Faith without works is
dead.

James 2:14-26



Context



Implied Expectation

For by **grace** you have been **saved** through **faith**. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of **works**, so that no one may boast.

Ephesians 2:8-9

Pop Quiz! (multiple choice)

We are saved by:

a) Works

b) Faith

c) Grace

d) Sacraments

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So..

What are we talking
about then?





Faith is evidence ...

Hebrews 11:1 KJV



How do we know if we
are doing it wrong?



If

Faith without works is dead.

Then

Faith **with** works is



If

Faith without works is dead.

Then

Faith with works is **alive**.

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How do we know if we
are doing it right?

This is what faith lived out looks like:

Rejoicing spirit

James 1:2

Perseverance

James 1:12

Resist of Temptation

James 1:13

A doer of the Word

James 1:22

Wholesome speech

James 1:26

Love your neighbor

James 2:8

Merciful

James 2:13



How do we get there?

Slow down

Ask God

Be Patient

Act on what you know

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Good News!



Faith without works is dead.

Is the warning.

Show your faith.

Is the attainable instruction



Show your faith.

James 2:18