## Tanks for the Message Pastor James 1:26-2:13

True religion is not rigid rules and tradition, it is a reflection of what God has shown and given us.

Christian religion is the Christian faith expressed in events, tradition, ritual, and ceremony.

- 1. Worthless religion;
  - a. exhibits uncontrolled speech. v26, Colossians 4:6, Ephesians 4:15
  - b. reveals a deceived heart. v26, Jeremiah 17:9, Isaiah 44:20, Luke 16:31
- 2. Religion that is acceptable to God;
  - a. provides care for those in need. v27b, Matthew 25:35–40, Jeremiah 22:16
  - b. is contrary to the world. v27c,1 John 5:19, John 17:14-15, John 18:36
  - **c. shows no partiality.** V1-9, Galatians 3:28, Acts 10:34-43, John 3:16,
  - d. fulfills the law of Moses and lives by the law of liberty. v10-13, Ephesians 2:14, Romans 3:27

**Galatians 2:20**- I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.