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of Life

I. The Need of Proof

We are in danger of living “acceptable lives.”

A. Surface Speech

B. Surface Morality

C. Surface Worship

Proof #1 – Control of the Tongue – 1:26

*“If anyone thinks himself to be **religious**, and yet does **not bridle his tongue** but deceives his own heart, this man’s religion is **worthless**.”*

A. The Illustration: Galloping Tongue

B. The Conclusion: Worthless Faith

Proof #2 – Care of the Unfortunate – 1:27

“Pure and undefiled religion in the sight of our God and Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.”

God accepts . . .

A. Right Motivation

B. Right Action

Proof #3 – Clean Living – 1:27

*“Pure and undefiled religion in the sight of our God and Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their distress, and to **keep oneself unstained by the world.**”*

God accepts . . .

A. Right Definition of Purity

B. Real Dedication to Purity