

**Series: DOERS**

**Title: Hurry Up and Wait**

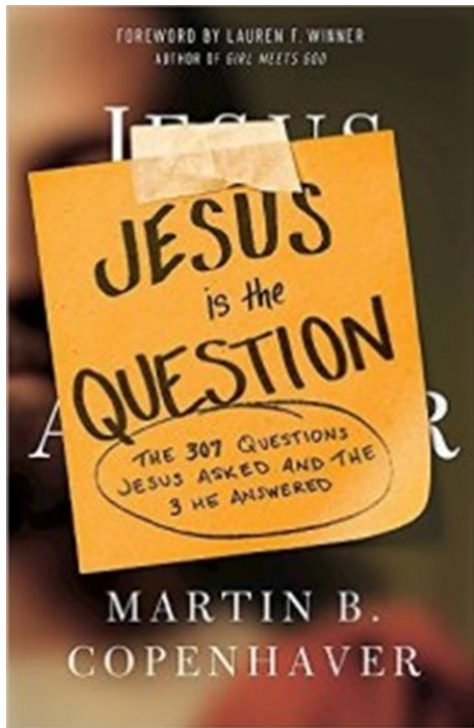
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Looking for a great option to start your group this week? Show the 8-minute overview of James from the Bible project.

<https://thebibleproject.com/explore/james>

1. Bob mentioned that this series is like skipping stones on a lake; we're looking at highpoints and jumping over a lot of material. Take a few moments to read the first chapter of James. What stands out to you?
2. We think James heard Jesus give some of his speeches/messages. He likely saw his brother perform miracles. Those things though impressive, didn't convince him that his brother was God's Son. What finally changed his mind about who Jesus really was? See James 2:1 and 1 Corinthians 15:3-7.
3. What's the distinctive goal about the letter/the book of James? See James 1:22.
4. What could be dangerous about gaining more information about God? On a similar note how does the following formula help solve the problem? Information ➔ Assimilation ➔ Transformation
5. James 1:19 is a key verse on Christ-like character and a life skill we all need to develop. Describe a time when you wish you had been quick to listen, slow to speak or slow to anger.
6. Explain to your group one thing you do well when it comes to handling your anger and one thing that needs improvement.
7. Jesus is the way, the truth and the life, John 14:6, and yet he was extraordinary at asking questions and at listening. See Luke 2:41-50 and the book jacket picture on the next page. Have you ever considered that listening is a key way we become like Jesus? Why do you think Jesus asked more questions than he answered? OVER



8. Why are questions so helpful in conversation? Share some helpful questions you've learned to ask and some not so helpful ones? How would you rate yourself on Bob's question: "Do you listen to reply or to understand?"

Wrapping up your time make David's prayer your own.

"May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, O LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer." Psalm 19:14