



The author of the book of James is most likely the brother of Jesus who came to give leadership to the Jerusalem church. He writes to Jewish Christians spread out in the Roman Empire. He writes in the vein of Jewish wisdom literature to give these fledgling Christian communities practical direction on how to live in God and Christ honouring ways. Because of his practical style James's writing continues to have a relevance for the church today as we seek to discern how to do Christian community well in the midst of a culture that largely rejects who we are and what we believe. He also warns us of the dangers which are present to the church at all times and in all places; namely, to show favouritism, to fail to act, and to run off at the mouth.

SUNDAY	TOPIC	TEXT
March 4, 2018 Lent III	Trials and Temptation	James 1:1-8, 12-18
March 11, 2018 Lent IV	Rich and Poor	James 1:9-11, 2:1-13
March 18, 2018 Lent V	Faith and Works	James 1:22-27, 2:14-26
March 25, 2018 Palm Sunday/Communion	The Tongue	James 1:19-21, 26-27, 3:1-12
April 1, 2018 Easter	Patience and Prayer	James 5:7-18
April 8, 2018	True Wisdom of Life	James 3:13 - 4:10