

## Today's Bible Passage: James 2:14–26

(Can you find the highlighted words?)

D O S A M E R G C I R C  
 Y E C N C D A I L Y D L  
 A S E A O O G O O D T A  
 K V E D N R N L T B Y I  
 E P E R S O N D H R V M  
 E C G R I G H T E O U S  
 P O D T D I S I S T E R  
 Y P C D E S W F O H V B  
 V A A B R A H A M E O D  
 B E L I E V E I E R B W  
 D F O O D E N T O C G A  
 O E S N S U C H N A T R  
 O Y S U P P O S E O D M

What **good** is it, my brothers and sisters, if **someone claims** to have **faith** but has no **deeds**? Can **such faith save** them? **Suppose** a **brother** or a **sister** is without **clothes** and **daily food**. If one of you says to them, “Go in **peace**; **keep warm** and well fed,” but does nothing about their physical needs, what **good** is it? In the **same** way, **faith** by itself, if it is not accompanied by **action**, is **dead**. But **someone** will say,

“You have **faith**; I have **deeds**.” **Show** me your **faith** without **deeds**, and I will **show** you my **faith** by my **deeds**. You **believe** that there is one God. **Good!** **Even** the demons **believe** that—and shudder. You foolish **person**, do you want evidence that **faith** without **deeds** is useless? Was not our father **Abraham considered righteous** for what he did **when** he offered his son Isaac on the altar? You see that his **faith** and his actions were working together, and his **faith** was made complete by what he did. And the scripture was fulfilled that says, “**Abraham** believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness,” and he was called God’s friend. You see that a **person** is **considered righteous** by what they do and not by **faith** alone. In the **same** way, was not **even** Rahab the prostitute **considered righteous** for what she did **when** she gave lodging to the spies and sent them off in a different direction? As the body without the spirit is **dead**, so **faith** without **deeds** is **dead**.

## FAITH

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What are the four sections in today's passage from James 2:14-26?

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What does the Latin term *sola fide* mean?

The reward from God for our good deeds is not something our faith earns, what does Catechism Q63 call this reward?