

*Valley Bible Church – Sermon Notes*

**Sermon Notes for September 12-13, 1998**

**"Stop Kidding Yourself"**

**Dale Whitehead**

**James 1:19-27**

Response to the Word test (James 1:19-27)

Proper reception (James 1:19-21)

Submissive heart (James 1:19)

A pure heart

"Filthiness" speaks of wax in the ear.

"Remains of wickedness" literally reads " abundance of evil."

The NAS translates it here in such a way that it would give the impression that we are to deal with the residue or the remainder of sin in our lives. But the NIV gives the preferred translation "the evil that is so prevalent."

A humble heart

"Humility" (PRAUTES) means "mild and gentle friendliness."

The verb "to save" (SOSAI) is an aorist active infinitive. The present tense would have pictured the process of the word delivering believers from the destructive consequences of sin, but the aorist simply views the process as an accomplished whole.