James 1:22-25

- Ad campaign with Andre Agassi and Canon Camera in 1989.
 - "Image is Everything!"
- Another term used to describe how we present ourselves is "branding."
- Why your image is important?
 - Article from an <u>Insider</u> publication in 2011 gives several reasons for this.

- Why your image is everything:
 - 45% of employers said they use social networks to screen job candidates.
 - 8% of companies have fired employees for their behavior on Facebook and LinkedIn.
 - 20% of divorces involve Facebook. 80% of attorneys say they are seeing social networking evidence in their cases.

- Why your image is everything:
 - A survey of 500 top colleges found that 10% of admissions officers acknowledged looking at social-networking sites to evaluate applicants.
 - Your reputation could affect those who share your last name.
 - Remember, if it's on the Internet, it could be there forever.

- When it comes to Jesus and your image what message are you sending?
- If Jesus were to assess your image what would his analysis be?
- There really are only two options:
 - Reflection
 - Rejection

• Do you.....

REFLECT JESUS

- Trip to Office Depot a few years ago.
- Jesus tells us to be like our Father in heaven-Matthew 5:45, 48.
- He told his apostles that if you have seen me then you have seen the Father- John 14:9
- · Col. 1:12-15

• Do you.....

REFLECT JESUS

- So when we reflect Jesus then we are reflecting the Father.
 - Matt. 5:45 says to "love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you"... like your Father.
 - Matt. 5:48 says to be perfect... like your Father.

• Do you.....

REFLECT JESUS

- So when we reflect Jesus then we are reflecting the Word.
 - James 1:25
 - John 1:1, 14
 - Col. 3:16

• Do you.....

REJECT JESUS

- Rejecting Jesus is rejecting the Bible!
- People talk about belief in Jesus but not belief in the Bible. You can't have one without the other.
- James 1:22-24
- John 12:48

• Do you.....

REJECT JESUS

- Rejecting Jesus is rejecting the Truth!
- John 14:6
- Living the way Jesus teaches is just right.
- Who denies that honesty, kindness, love, & humility do not make a person the best version of himself?