

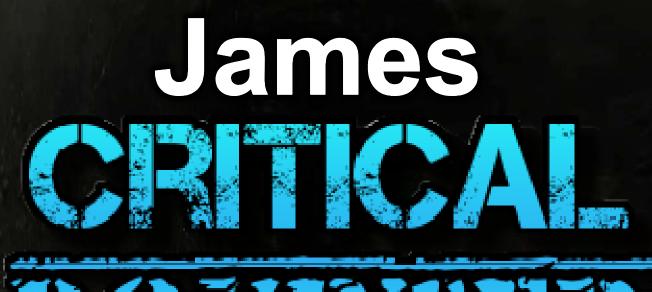


Jesus did many other things as well. If every one of them were written down, I suppose that even the whole world would not have room for the books that would be written.

John 21:25







DOUBLE E

(Matthew 13:55-56)

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He is the half brother of Jesus

Notice the girls are not given names

Also, Mary is mentioned by name but Joseph only by profession

James literally grew up listening to Jesus





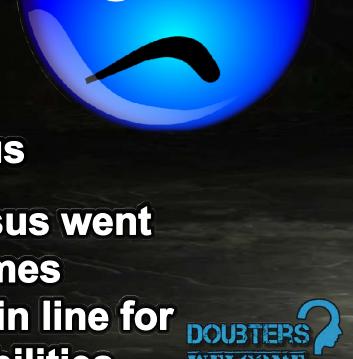
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James is listed first thus he would have been the boy born directly after Jesus

That means he would be the boy always living in the shadow of Jesus



It also meant when Jesus went into ministry mode James would have been next in line for all the family responsibilities



NOT A FAN

While Jesus was still talking to the crowd, his mother and brothers stood outside, wanting to speak to him. Someone told him, "Your mother and brothers are standing outside, wanting to speak to you." He replied to him, "Who is my mother, and who are my brothers?" Pointing to his disciples, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers. For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother."

Matthew 12:46-50



DEALING MITH HIS DOUBTS

James did not grow up believing in Jesus (John 7:5)

He and his family became believers (Acts 1:14)

James becomes a leader in the church (Galatians 2:9)

This is how James saw himself (James 1:1)

James, a servant of God and

of the Lord Jesus Christ





DEALING MITH HIS DOUBTS

Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles

1 Corinthians 15:7

Was just seeing your risen brother enough?

What was said?

Did you have to touch his hands and side?

Did you hug it out?



What we do know is James found a way to overcome information overload and have a real relationship with Jesus



HS ROLE IN JESUS MINISTRY

He was a little late getting to the party

I already pointed out he became a leader in the church

He did write a book

It's one of the most practical and easy to understand books of the Bible







DEALING MITH YOUR DOUBT

If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you. But when you ask, you must believe and not doubt, because the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind. That person should not expect to receive anything from the Lord. Such a person is double-minded and unstable in all they do.



James 1:5-8



LACK OF MISDOM

Interesting, he doesn't say get more information

He says become wise

He does not recommend know more instead his logic is put what you know into







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The Mercy rule

God is not interested in judging you for your past

He just wants to be part or your present and future

He describe God as generous and willing, but he does not leave out...



VERSES THE SEA OF DOUBT

You think James knew anything about swimming in a sea of doubt?

Do you think he knew anything about being tossed about by life's winds?



Do you think he ever regretted not accepting his brother before the crucifixion?





