

\*Face Without Beard is Dead\*

2:17 Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.

2:18 Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: show me thy faith without thy works, and I will show thee my faith by my works.

2:19 Thou believest that there is one Elohim; thou doest well: the \* (beardless) \*devils also believe, and tremble.

2:20 But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?

2:21 Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar?

2:22 Seest thou how faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect?

2:23 And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed Elohim, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called the Friend of Elohim.

2:24 Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only.

2:25 Likewise also was not Rahab the harlot justified by works, when she had received the messengers, and had sent [them] out another way?

2:26 For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

The Hebrew word for "vain" is "shav" (\*07723 awv shav<sup>2</sup>)\* see below

\*07723 awv shav<sup>2</sup> shawv or wv shav shav \*

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\*from the same as 07722 in the sense of desolating; n m; {See TWOT on 2338

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\*AV-vain 22, vanity 22, false 5, lying 2, falsely 1, lies 1; 53 \*

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\*1) emptiness, vanity, falsehood \*

\*1a) emptiness, nothingness, vanity \*

\*1b) emptiness of speech, lying \*

\*1c) worthlessness (of conduct) \*

James 2:20 could have been translated ....

"But wilt thou know, O shaven man, that faith without works is dead?"

By closely examining the Scripture and the Hebrew, we can accurately connect the dots and determine that a shaven face is vain, empty, false, nothingness and worthless!!

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