A Walk in the Word

Small Bites

<u>Day 7:</u> HE AINT HEAVY (040225)

Scripture: James 5:20 - remember this: Whoever turns a sinner from the error of their way will save them from death and cover over a multitude of sins.

Observation: James is counseling believers to be available to help others who may have slipped or fallen along the way and need help back to living a Christian life.

Application/Analysis: What is our job a Christians? Well clearly we have many but much if not all of what God wants us to do is to help others either find Him or stay on the path with Him. Paul counsels us to consider the needs of others before our own (Rom 12:10). Jesus said that no greater love than a man lay down his life for his brother (John 15:13). We are supposed to pray together, play together, mourn together, rejoice together as we are all part of the same body of Christ. So if we notice someone lost along the way, we should literally drop everything and help them find their way back to the Lord and in doing so, we can help them avoid additional challenges that they might otherwise face. In the same way, you and I should also seek prayer and counsel from our brothers and sisters in Christ as we face our own challenges because Satan loves to catch us isolated as he will attempt to deceive, discourage, and distract us from doing the will of God. We are here to work together and as such we are so much stronger as Christ works through us to accomplish God's purpose. Let us look to help our fellow believers. They are not heavy.

Prayer: Father, we thank you that you made us to support one another. Help us to look constantly at those around us and be available to them as you are always available to us. In Jesus name - AMEN!

Takeaway: I am very fond of saying that love is an action word. Be intentional about looking to serve others in the name of the Lord in whatever way from sorrow to celebration.