

- (c) Because James is correcting a misunderstanding of Paul's teaching of justification by faith. Enough time has to pass for the doctrine to be perverted and for the morals of believers to be corrupted as a consequence of it.
2. Not James the son of Alphaeus cf. Matt. 10:3 (He is possibly the same as James the less in Mk. 15:40) Why? Because he is not prominent enough to write a letter with such authority as is exhibited in James.
 3. Not James the father of Judas cf. Luke 6:16 and Acts 1:13 (He is probably to be identified with Thaddaeus in Matt. 10:3 and Mk. 3:18) Why? Because he is not prominent enough to write a letter with such authority as is exhibited by James.
 4. Not a James not mentioned in the New Testament. Why? For the same reason given in b and c.

B. Positively

James the Lord's brother mentioned in Gal. 1:19

1. Reasons for James the Lord's brother being the author of the book.
 - a. Because of his prominence - cf. Acts 15:13-29, 12:17; Gal. 1:18,19; Gal. 2:9; Acts 21:18-24 1 Cor. 15:7, Jude 1
 - b. Because of his character - He is known as James the Just and thus has a character that befits the author of this book.
 - c. Because of his death in 62 A.D. according to Josephus. Eusebius also speaks of James' death. He says he was stoned by scribes and Pharisees because he refused to renounce his commitment to Jesus.
2. Possible senses in which James was the brother of Jesus
 - a. He was an older brother - Joseph was married and had children before he was married to Mary. (Ephiphanian view)
 - b. He was a younger brother -cf. Matt. 13:55 (Helvidian view)
 - c. He was a cousin of Jesus (Jerome's view)
 - (1) Mary, ^{wife} of Clopas was Mary's sister (John 19:25)
 - (2) Mary, ^{wife} of Clopas was the mother of James and Joses (Mk. 15:40)
 - (3) James and Joses were brothers of Jesus (Mk.6:3)
Note: The view is damaged by the fact that the Greek word adelphos always means brother when blood relationship is denoted in the New Testament. Moo says the Helvidian view best explains the close association suggested in the N.T. between Mary, the mother of Jesus, and the brothers of Jesus cf. Mk. 3:32; 6:3