

James: Need To Know

3:13-18



1. What insight, principle or observation from this week's message did you find to be most helpful, eye opening or troubling? Please explain.
2. Describe a time in your life when you really felt like you needed wisdom. Once members have shared ask "what area in your life right now do you need wisdom."
3. How would you describe or define wisdom? After discussion: Read Proverbs 1:7 and 2:6. How does this look similar or different than your previous discussion?
4. Read James 3:13. Why does James tie wisdom with humility? Would you agree with James that true wisdom shows up in these ways? Why or why not?
5. Read James 3:14-16. In what ways have you seen this kind of thinking and acting play out in churches, organizations, and families or interpersonal relationships? Is the outcome disorder, as James suggests?
6. Read James 3:17-18. Which one or two attributes of wisdom stick out to you and why? Have you seen Godly wisdom like this, and did it produce peace?
7. Would people describe you as humble, would you describe yourself as humble? How do you give or take correction or rebuke? How does humility play a role in that?
8. Does your life (including relationships) and your leadership leave a trail of peace? When there is a tough situation or conflict, are you a "fighter" or a "flighter" (avoider)? How are both unwise and tied to selfish ambition? How could you be wise in this area?
9. Pray together. Ask God for wisdom for current situations that you need wisdom for. Then commit to seek to be wise as James has described for us.