

Title: Making Friends with Humility

Read: James 4:1-10

Big Idea: There are many differences between the relationships a foolish person has and the relationships a humble person has.

#1. A Foolish Person Doesn't Ask God

Question: Why was it important for Jesus to teach His disciples to ask?

Read: The Lord's Prayer – Matthew 6:9-13

Question: How involved do you think God wants to be in your life?

a. foolishness can be seen when people "cheat on God ..

Question: James uses the word specific word "adulterer" to describe the foolish person.

Question: In what way is James saying a foolish person has inappropriate relationships?

b. foolishness shows up as we scheme and "kill"

Question: In what ways to people "kill", terminate, and ignore responsibility?

Question / Answer: Have you ever acted this way?

#2. The Wise Humble Themselves Before God and Others

Read: James 1:7

Question: What does this verse tell us about God's heart for us?

Read: James 4:5-6

Question: Do you think that God is passionate about you? In what way?

Read: James 4:10

Question: In what ways has God lifted you?

Examples: dignity, honour, and respect that we need, provision, salvation, care

Question: In what way does the neighbourly way include "lifting up" someone else?

C.S. Lewis says: - "True humility is not thinking less of yourself; it is thinking of yourself less."

Question: What does this mean to you?

Read: Matthew 7:14

Question: In what way is the humble way a narrow path that influences our attitudes and relationships with God and others?

C.S. Lewis says, "You can't go back and change the beginning, but you can start where you are and change the end."

Question: Describe a situation in which If you could go back and change the way you responded you would?

Question: what is greatest take away from this text?