



Part One: Drama

We live in a selfie culture where the camera always seems to be pointing at 'me'. When we focus primarily on ourselves we tend to lose perspective on others. Could it be that this is the source of most of our relational drama? Maybe it's time to turn the camera back around and rediscover the wisdom and peace of selflessness.

Scripture: James 3:13-18 ESV

Bottom Line: Whenever selfishness leads, drama follows.

Discussion Questions

1. Can you think of ways in which our culture encourages us to be selfish? What are some socially acceptable ways that people are selfish?
2. In your own words, describe the key aspects of people who are wise from verse 13 and 17. Contrast these characteristics with selfish people as described in verses 14-16. Can you think of people that you know that embody each of these types of lives (no names!)?
3. Do you agree with the statement: Whenever selfishness leads, drama follows?
4. Can you share a circumstance in your life when you've seen selfishness lead to disorder (drama)?
5. List practical examples of how you can plant the characteristics of righteousness in the relationships you have with people around you?

Moving Forward

Can you think of an area of your life in which your selfishness has contributed to relational conflict? Identifying areas of sin in our lives is crucial to help us move on. Spend some time in prayer, asking for forgiveness for your selfishness. Consider, is there someone that you need to ask forgiveness from because of how your selfishness has negatively affected your relationship?