



STUDY GUIDE SEVEN – FROM SERMON ON OCTOBER 26

What does real wisdom look like? The world often equates wisdom with intelligence, success, or influence—but James paints a different picture. True wisdom is humble, pure, and peace-loving, producing harmony rather than conflict. In this study, we'll discover the contrast between earthly wisdom and wisdom from above, and how choosing God's wisdom can transform our relationships and decisions.

READ JAMES 3:13 TOGETHER

How does James define wisdom in verse 13? Why is humility such an essential part of true wisdom?

How do actions demonstrate whether someone truly possesses godly wisdom?

READ JAMES 3:14-16 TOGETHER

What does James say are the signs of false wisdom? How do envy and selfish ambition create disorder in relationships?

Why does James call this wisdom “earthly, unspiritual, demonic”? What does that reveal about its source and influence?

Can you think of examples (personal or cultural) where selfish ambition led to division or conflict?

READ JAMES 3:17-18 TOGETHER

List the qualities of wisdom from above in verse 17. Which one stands out most to you, and why?

How does godly wisdom lead to peace and righteousness?

What does it look like to be a “peacemaker who sows in peace” (v. 18)? How can we do this practically in our homes, churches, and workplaces?

WRAPPING IT UP

How can you practice being a “peacemaker” in a current conflict or tense situation in your life?

Which characteristic of heavenly wisdom (pure, peace-loving, gentle, merciful, sincere) do you most need to grow in, and what step will you take this week to pursue it?

Close your time together by praying for one another.