

11. When we go through trials, we often want what?
12. To have a spiritual perspective on trials demands what?
13. What Biblical figure opened himself up to reproach because he demanded to know why and the knowledge of what God was doing?
14. All scholars agree that the letter titled, “James” is patterned after what?
15. The difference between heavenly wisdom and demonic wisdom is seen in what?
16. Biblical wisdom isn’t all about facts and data and information; it’s about what?
17. A wise person is someone who lives life how?
18. Are you smart or are you wise?
19. Wisdom is seen in life, not in what?
20. One of the hallmarks of a wise person is meekness or what?
21. What is a mark of foolishness?
22. What four Proverbs talk about pride and humility?
23. What word(s) does James use as the opposite of wisdom?
24. Just because a person is intelligent doesn’t mean that he or she is exempt from what?
25. The term “bitter envy” or “bitter jealousy” describes someone who is resentful of others or someone who has what?
26. Oftentimes the person who is so zealous that he is harsh to others around him thinks he is what?
27. A wise person has learned to tell himself no and to deny himself for the what?
28. A wise person has learned to deal with his natural what?
29. A wise person realizes that his problem isn’t low what?
30. If you claim to be a wise person but your life is characterized by bitter jealousy & selfish ambition, then you have what kind of wisdom?
31. Demonic wisdom is the deception that being wise means what?
32. The demons would be glad for you to have what kind of wisdom?
33. Demons love to do what?
34. Demons want to deceive the person into believing that the only thing that is important is what?
35. James wants you to examine your life to see if you really possess godly wisdom or what kind of substitute?
36. The word translated “evil” in verse 16 refers to wicked things and to things that are what?
37. What is the first thing that we learn that godly wisdom is?
38. A person who truly possesses godly wisdom has a pure life of what?
39. Secondly, godly wisdom is what?
40. Are you peace-loving, or are you one who loves to stir up conflict and be in the middle of conflict?
41. Thirdly, godly wisdom is what?
42. What are some other translations of the phrase, “willing to yield”?
43. A wise person doesn’t demand what?

44. Godly wisdom is full of mercy and what?

45. The Greek word translated “unwavering” pictures some one who is unwavering in what way?

46. What is the final word James gives to describe godly wisdom?

47. The context of the life of one who has godly wisdom is peace and in that context he is able to sow what?

48. How do you match up? Do you possess godly wisdom or demonic wisdom?

God did not give you His Word to make you a smarter sinner. He gave you His Word to make you more like His Son. Apply what you learn!

Remember: Your responsibility, by God’s enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; I Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- »»How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?
- »»How can I accomplish this change?
- »»What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

For Next Time:

- 1) Read James 1:1-3:6 one time this week.**
- 2) Read Ephesians 4:25-32 three times this week.**
- 3) If someone were to try to devastate a church, what might be the things they would do to accomplish that?**
- 4) What things are you working on in your life so that you would never be a part of devastating your church?**

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GODLY OR DEMONIC WISDOM

James 3:13-18

(Series #15)

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon “**Godly or Demonic Wisdom.**” All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. What is another word for wisdom?
2. What is a western view of wisdom, but not necessarily a biblical view?
3. When the Bible speaks of wisdom, it is not referring to thinking, but rather, it is referring to what?
4. It is possible to be very smart, highly intelligent, and possess a lot of information but still be considered what?
5. What does God say about the successful businessman in Luke 12:16-20?
6. True biblical wisdom is important to understand and stress today because we are living in the midst of what kind of society?
7. Very few people in our society are doing what?
8. Why do some commentators believe that James 3:13-18 is the high point/pinnacle of James?
9. James is considered the Proverbs of the New Testament because it has a strong emphasis on how to do what?
10. In James 1:5, James tells us to ask for what?

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