

SERMON APPLICATION GUIDE

SUNDAY 10/31/21

James 3:13-18

When Wisdom Isn't Wise

Big Idea: Living with Kingdom Wisdom leads me towards relational peace.

Am I truly living with wisdom?

SERMON OUTLINE

A picture of Worldly Wisdom:

1. My main focus is on me. (v. 14)
2. I follow the advice of this world (v. 15)
3. My relationship is only getting worse. (v. 16)

A picture of Kingdom Wisdom:

1. My main focus is on holiness. (v. 17)
2. I follow the advice from God. (v. 17)
3. My relationship is heading toward restoration. (v. 18)

1. REVIEW

1. What are some characteristics of earthly (worldly) wisdom? (vs. 14-15)

2. When you rely on worldly wisdom (mainly focusing on yourself) in relationships, what will the results be? (v. 16)

3. How does James describe wisdom from above (Kingdom wisdom)? (v. 17)

4. When you rely on Kingdom wisdom, what will the results be? (v. 18)

2. ASSESS

1. How does understanding worldly wisdom motivate you to pursue Kingdom wisdom? How does Kingdom wisdom give you hope for overcoming dysfunctional relationships in your life?

3. APPLY

1. Who is God calling you to restore a dysfunctional relationship with? Are you being called to repent? In what ways is God leading you to respond in this relationship? Explain.
