

## **"Practical Wisdom from the Epistle of James"**

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James 3:13 – 4:10

### **Two Kinds of Wisdom – James 3:13-18**

Read James 3:13-18

- How would you describe “worldly wisdom”?
- How does Scripture describe God's wisdom?
- Why do jealousy and selfishness cause confusion and evil things?
- How does a wise person resolve conflict?
- What so you think it means to “sow seeds of peace”?
- How does this passage challenge you to deal with conflicts in your relationships?
- List some practical ways you can bring peace to a conflict you are facing.

## **Trust God** - James 4:1-10

### A. Read James 4:1-6

- What causes the “wars” within us and around us in our relationships?
- What does it mean to be a “friend of the world”?
- Why do we resist relying on and submitting to God?
- How can humbling ourselves before God affect our other relationships?

### B. Read James 4: 7-10

- What promise is given to those who draw near to God?
- What are we “to grieve and mourn over”?
- When have you been convinced that you knew God's will for you? What convinced you?
- What specific steps can you take to draw near to God?