

**FAITHFUL...by Living Wisely**  
**“Faithful” Series Part 2**

**Last week** “Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.” **James 1:2-4**

“If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.” **James 1:5**

**Wisdom is the appropriate \_\_\_\_\_ of knowledge**

“The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction.” **Proverbs 1:7**

“But when you ask, you must believe and not doubt, because the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind. That person should not expect to receive anything from the Lord. Such a person is double-minded and unstable in all they do.” **James 1:6-8**

**TWO WAYS TO LIVE**

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“But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash.” **Matthew 7:26-27**

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“Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.” **James 1:22**

“Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock.” **Matthew 7:24-25**

“Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it.” **Matthew 7:13-14**

“Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.” **Matthew 16:24**