

Home group discussion questions—February 21st 2016

Share: Have ever experienced Biblical Wisdom applied in an unwise way? What, if any, were the consequences?

Consider: James 3:13-18

- What immediately jumps out of you from the text?
- Where in his letter has James already pushed back against the 'wisdom' of his opponents? How can we sympathize with his opponents' application of 'wisdom'?
- What themes do we find in this passage that we have seen before?
- What is unique about the characteristics of worldly 'wisdom'? What is the significance of the sources James lists? (see 1:12-15; 2:18-19)
- What are the unique qualities of 'wisdom from above'? What are the parallels James draws between earthly 'wisdom' and godly wisdom?
- Read 1 Corinthians 1:18-31 and Proverbs 8. How does understanding Christ as the wisdom of God affect the way we approach our own wisdom?
- How can we as a church practically live out the charge to be wise from James 3:13-18?

Pray: We as a church would learn to live lives of humble wisdom that seek peace and righteousness.