



James 3:13–18 (NIV)

¹³Who is wise and understanding among you? Let them show it by their good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom. ¹⁴But if you harbor bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast about it or deny the truth. ¹⁵Such “wisdom” does not come down from heaven but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. ¹⁶For where you have envy and selfish ambition, there you find disorder and every evil practice. ¹⁷But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere. ¹⁸Peacemakers who sow in peace reap a harvest of righteousness.

Basic Training: How To's for Living for God in the Real World

How to Be Wise

James 3:13-18

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Two Sources of Wisdom

1. The _____

2. The _____

_____ are we looking for our _____?

The Big Idea

Living by _____ wisdom _____ us
the _____ life.

We Live the Good Life with God's Wisdom by Having...

1. Good _____ —being _____ with
our hands

2. Good _____ —being _____ in our head
and heart

3. Good _____ —being at _____ in our
relationships

Applying It to My Life

- Be _____ by believing in Jesus (the _____ to
God)
- Live _____ by following Jesus (the _____ of
God)

LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

For the week of March 16 - 22

1. What is one wise statement that has stuck with you over the years?

SERMON OVERVIEW

2. Reflect on the sermon. Was there an idea or expression that resonated with you, or was there anything said that challenged or confused you?

DIGGING IN: Read James 3:13-18

3. What stands out to you most from this passage?
4. According to this passage, what is the difference between wisdom and knowledge? What is an example of each? How do we confuse these two?
5. In these verses, James lists eight traits of heavenly wisdom. Identify and define them together.
6. What differentiates the traits of heavenly wisdom from earthly wisdom?
7. Who in your life exemplifies Godly wisdom? What do you notice about how they live and make decisions?
8. How could you use these traits to test wisdom that you receive from others?
9. How can we discern whether a decision is guided by God's wisdom or influenced by worldly thinking?

FULL LIFE GROWTH PLAN

10. What progress have you made with your spiritual growth plan over the past week?

APPLYING IT

11. What practical steps can you take to grow in wisdom this week?
12. What is one area in your life where you need God's wisdom right now?

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LIFEHOUSE HIGHLIGHTS

Marriage, Financial or Discipleship Mentoring Lunch: TODAY. 12:15 - 1:15pm in the Coffee House. Create a personalized plan with a mentor for either your marriage, finances or discipleship goals with an additional seven weeks of coaching sessions.

Coffee Connect: Sunday, March 23, 15 minute connect with a pastor after each service to meet, greet and enjoy a free tasty treat.

Mexico Mission Trip: Sunday, March 23, 12:15-1:15 PM in the Coffee House. Learn how you can be part of a life-changing mission trip to Ensenada, Mexico, bringing hope to the unsheltered and elderly through service and fellowship.

Child Dedication Class: Sunday, April 6, this class is the first step towards one of the most important milestones in a child’s life.

Mother’s Day Child Dedication: Sunday, May 11, both services. Child Dedication is a time to celebrate parents’ commitment to raising their children in a God-honoring way.

Kid’s Ministry Sundays: 9:30 and 10:45am, Kids nursery - 5th grade, kids join us in the Kid’s Wing for a safe, age-appropriate fun, creative, engaging Bible Lesson.

Middle School Sunday Service: 9:30am in the Student Room. 6th through 8th graders; come and join the fun!

Student Ministry Wednesday Gathering: 6:30 - 8:00pm in the Student Room. 6th-8th and 9th-12th graders; come and join in the games, worship, and lessons.

Young Adults: Tuesdays, 7 - 8:30pm at the Vasquez home. For more information, contact CJ@TheLifehouseChurch.com.

AA Recovery Group, "Grace Abounds" on Thursday from 6:30pm - 7:30pm at Lifehouse.



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