

WISDOM FROM ABOVE

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BIG IDEA

Wisdom is more than information; its source shows in the life it produces. God's wisdom forms humble people who make peace, show mercy, and serve like Jesus.

READ TOGETHER

James 3:13-18 | Notice the source and the fruit of each kind of wisdom.

INTO THE SERMON

LOOK BACK AT SUNDAY

- 1 What idea, phrase, or illustration from Sunday's sermon stayed with you most? What made it memorable?
- 2 Pastor Sam said wisdom is a way of life, not just information. How did he contrast the life built on comparison and ambition with the way of Jesus?

INTO THE TEXT

OPEN JAMES 3

- 1 Read James 3:13. What does James say makes wisdom visible? Why does he connect good conduct with meekness?
- 2 Read verses 14-16. What desires mark wisdom from below, and what kind of life or community do they produce?

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INTO THE TEXT

COMPARE THE FRUIT

- 3 Read verse 17. Which qualities mark wisdom from above? How do they contrast with jealousy and selfish ambition?
- 4 Read verse 18. What is sown, by whom, and what grows from it? How does this verse connect peace-making with righteousness?

APPLICATION

LIVE THE WISE WAY

- 1 The sermon asked what our lives would 'taste like' to others. What practices could help our group become more gentle, open to reason, merciful, and peace-making?
- 2 Pastor Sam invited everyone to join the LOVE LOCAL group in the Coastlands app. How could joining and responding to a real need help us practice the mercy and service described in James 3?

THIS WEEK

CHOOSE ONE

- Read James 3:13-18 twice; note one sign of wisdom from below and one fruit from above.
- Join the LOVE LOCAL group in the Coastlands app and watch for a need you can help meet.
- When a need is shared, ask God, "Is this mine to help with?" Then take one concrete step.
- Invite a trusted friend to name where they see peace and mercy growing in your life.

MEMORY VERSE / JAMES 3:18

"And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace."