



CENTRAL
Weekend Recap - Discussion Guide
James: Living a Genuine Life - Week 9
October 6-8

Title: Wisdom That Comes From Humility (James 3:13-18)

Big Idea: Humility is the only path to acquiring wisdom from God.

Optional Ice Breaker: How do you handle conflict? Do you shy away from conflict or do you find yourself constantly in it?

Discuss:

1. Name something that you are needing wisdom from God in your life right now.
2. How can we recognize wisdom that is from God vs something we want to justify or attribute to God?
3. Pastor Cal asked, "Would you rather be right or righteous?" What's the difference between the two? Why is it so tempting to be right over righteous?
4. James used eight words to describe and filter wisdom that comes from God: pure, peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere. Are your decisions and wisdom coming from these attributes? How can you insure they are?

For Students: Who is the wisest person you know? What makes you see wisdom in them?

Challenge: Filter your decisions this week through the wisdom filter: pure, peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy, good fruit, impartial and sincere.

Scriptures:

- Philippians 2:3-4 Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.
- Luke 9:23-24 Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will save it.

Prayer: Set aside time each day this week to ask God for wisdom in an area of your life you need it.

Next Week-Sneak Peek: Read James 4:1-12. What stands out to you? What do you think is the big idea of this passage?