

## James 3:13–18 | Two types of wisdom

### Study Questions from 08.03.2026 sermon

#### Earthly wisdom

- i. Read v14–16. These verses describe wisdom which is not from God. Look at v15: discuss the meaning of 'earthly, unspiritual, demonic' in the context of wisdom.
- ii. Look at v16. Discuss the reasons why this kind of wisdom produces envy, selfish ambition, disorder and every evil practice.
- iii. Where do we see this kind of wisdom? Be specific; give examples.
- iv. Did anyone mention church in the last question? How might earthly/unspiritual/demonic wisdom appear in church? How can we ensure it doesn't?

#### Heavenly wisdom

- v. Read v13. What are the markers of wisdom from heaven, according to this verse?
- vi. Complete the sentence: "Wisdom from heaven is not about knowing facts about God but about..." Read v17. Wisdom from heaven produces the character qualities in this verse. Which of these qualities do you struggle with the most? How can wisdom produce what is lacking in your life?
- vii. Read v18. Why does James conclude by re-emphasising peace in this verse?

#### Prayer

Spend some time praying about what you've discussed and pray for one another.