

# JAMES 3:13 - 4:12

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## SERMON SUMMARY

Worldliness is opposed to Godliness; there is a vast difference between the two. The difference between worldly wisdom and godly wisdom is humility: *humility* before God and before man. Without it, we're left to worldly wisdom which only destroys relationships—both our relationship with God and our relationships with one another.

## QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER

- Who in your life has exemplified and imparted godly wisdom? What were the characteristics of their lives?
- Why do characteristics of worldliness like jealousy, envy, and selfish ambition rob of joy and intimacy with God and others?
- Why is it so important to understand and embrace that the problem is not first “out there”, but is foundational “in here” (meaning, the cause of divisions is often us, not them).
- How would you define repentance for someone who has not Bible knowledge?
- How does God's faithfulness, love, and grace towards us lead us to fight against worldliness instead of further into worldliness?

## PRAYER PROMPTS

- Pray and ask God for His wisdom.
- Pray that you would find satisfaction in God alone, and not be prone to jealousy or envy.
- Pray, according to Philippians 2, that you would have the mind of Christ, and that you would be someone who can consider others, deny yourself, and live in humility.
- Pray that our church family would see a harvest of righteousness sown in peace, and that we would be people who make peace.

## FOR FURTHER STUDY THIS WEEK

Proverbs 2:1-8

Matthew 5:3-12

Matthew 7:1-5

Luke 14:25-33

Philippians 2:1-10