

Speaker: Pastor Aaron

Series: James Faith/Works

Sermon Title: Where is Wisdom?

Scripture: James 1:5-8

Main Idea: Wisdom is only found in Christ Jesus through the reading and application of His sufficient Word.

OUTLINE

- 1. Earthly wisdom is not real wisdom, It is folly that produces negative consequences.
- Biblical Wisdom is applied knowledge that only comes from Christ Jesus alone through Scripture.
- 3. Biblical Wisdom is Beautiful, Stable, Sufficient and is essential for the life of the believer.
- 4. To get true Biblical Wisdom the believer must Ask, Seek, and Surrender to Jesus.

DISCUSSION GUIDE

- Graduation season is in full swing. This time of year students receive a lot of good and bad advice, take a moment to share some good or bad advice you have received in your life.
- 2. Where are some places that the secular world recommends a person should get wisdom from? What are problems with earthly wisdom and what does it produce?
- 3. Take some time to read James 1:5-8 if you have not done so already. What does James mean when he says "Let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind." What is a believer not supposed to doubt? Can someone be saved and doubt God? What is the difference between asking questions and living in doubt?
- 4. Take a moment to read 2 Timothy 3:16–17 and Psalm 19:7-8. Why is the Bible beautiful

- and stable? How does the stability of scripture help strengthen someone's faith? What does it mean that the Bible is sufficient? Why is this important for the believer to understand?
- 5. This week we read how the believer will experience trials in their life, but how does Biblical Wisdom help believers prepare and prevent trials in their life?
- 6. How does Biblical Wisdom nourish the believer during trials? Why is this an important concept to dwell on?
- 7. In order to obtain Biblical Wisdom a believer is supposed to ask, seek and surrender.

 Which of the three do you struggle with the most and why? How can your community group help you ask, seek and surrender?
- 8. This week Pastor Aaron encouraged us to surrender to Jesus. What are some things in your life that you need to surrender in order to have Biblical Wisdom and a healthier walk with Christ?
- 9. This week we sang "In Christ Alone.", the song lyrics talk about how Jesus is our comforter in trials and He alone is our solid rock on which we stand. How has Jesus been your rock through trials you have experienced?
- 10. How can each of us specifically be praying for you this week?