#12 – Worldly Wisdom vs. Godly Wisdom

James 3:13-18
Pastor Shawn Peterson

January 27, 2019

What is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?

Pure

Peaceable

Gentle

Open to Reason

Full of Mercy and Good Fruits

Impartial

Sincere

How does \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?

How do you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?

**Growth Group Preparation Questions**

For the week of January 27, 2019

To prepare for your Growth Group discussion each week, take about 20-30 minutes to go through the G2Qs and be ready to share your thoughts and answers with your group. Have a great time growing in your relationship with the Lord and with others!

**Getting to know You**

1. When and where do you get your best ideas?
2. What is the worst piece of advice you have ever been given?

**DIGGING DEEPER**

1. Looking back at your sermon notes, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, was new, challenging or confusing to you?

1. From James 3:17, what areas in your life do you feel like you have godly wisdom that is:
2. Pure –
3. Peaceable –
4. Gentle –
5. Open to reason –
6. Full of mercy and good fruits –
7. Impartial –
8. Sincere –

1. Which of these areas mentioned do you feel like you are lacking characteristics of godly wisdom?

1. What is the relationship between godly wisdom in your life and your relational successes or failures?

1. In the sermon we heard that "Wisdom is the character and nature of Jesus coming out of you." Discuss how your relationship with God influences how much godly wisdom you exhibit.

1. Christ's nature will come out of us the more we understand our identity in Him. Read the bookmark given out in church. Share with your group which of the phrases you will start meditating on.

SERVING OTHERS AND SHARING YOUR FAITH

* Take some time during your G2 prayer time to pray for your neighbors, coworkers and those close to you. Pray that each of us would specifically sow peace to our community and to all those around us.
* Share some stories you may have of previous GO Trip experiences. What are some of the things that you learned from those experiences that impacted you and how you interact with your neighbors or those you encounter daily? Were there times when you had to intentionally be open to reason that was different from your own?
* As you ponder which GO Trip opportunity to participate in this year, ask God for wisdom, “who gives generously to all without reproach.” You can see all this year’s trips on the website or pick up a list in the lobby area.

**Growth Group Prayer Requests:**