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## SUNDAY RECAP

This weekend was week 5 of 8 in our sermon series studying the **Book of James**. Before starting the discussion questions with your group, pray together and invite the Holy Spirit to be present with you as you study through this passage.

**ICEBREAKER:** What has someone said to you that's had a lasting and positive impact on you? Who said it and why were their words they so meaningful to you?

**READ THE PASSAGE TOGETHER:** James 3

## DISCUSS

1. After reading the passage, what stands out to you? What do you find to be the most disruptive thing James says in chapter 3 and why?
2. Reflect on this quote from N.T. Wright from Sunday's message:  
"What James is after, then, is consistency. He wants people to follow Jesus through and through, to be a blessing-only people rather than a blessing-and-cursing people. It's a high standard, but we should expect no less if the gospel is indeed the message of salvation." – N.T. Wright
3. Pastor Donny shared in the message that "Followers of Jesus should become masters at blessing others and seeing beauty, love, and goodness in God's world." In what specific ways could you bless friends, enemies, family, co-workers, fellow Christians or those of other beliefs more consistently?
4. How does this passage motivate you and challenge you to be more careful about how you use your tongue?

**PRAYER TIME:** Spend time sharing prayer requests. Review James 3:17-18. Consider the characteristics of true wisdom. Review your life in light of them. Humbly ask the Holy Spirit to grow in you true wisdom. Pray together as a group.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **2024 Mission Trip Interest Meeting** - 10/15 | 11:45a | Kids Assembly Room | Details at [fairoaks.church/missions](https://fairoaks.church/missions)
- **Moms Group** - 10/14 | 9:30-11:30a | RSVP [fairoaks.church/moms](https://fairoaks.church/moms)
- **Men's Breakfast** - 10/21 | 8a-10a | RSVP & Learn more [fairoaks.church/events](https://fairoaks.church/events)
- **Partnership Track** - 10/22 & 10/29 | 12p-2p | 2-week course to learn about Christian faith, our church and what it means to belong at Fair Oaks | Info & RSVP at [fairoaks.church/events](https://fairoaks.church/events) (Lunch Provided, Childcare Available w/ RSVP)
- **Trunk or Treat** - 10/28 | 6-7:30p | Donate candy & sign up to decorate a trunk at [fairoaks.church/events](https://fairoaks.church/events)

