

LOOKING AHEAD

Week 7: James 3:13-4:12

1. **Read James 3:13-18.** This passage naturally grows out of the previous discussion on the tongue. These six verses can be divided into two basic sections: (1) worldly wisdom (v.13-16) and (2) wisdom from heaven (v. 17-18)
 - How can you apply the wisdom from Heaven to your: Job? Family? Marriage? Friendships? Conflicts?
 - What would you do to change things in each of those situations or any that apply?
2. When you first became a Christian, what life changes, was the most difficult for you to make? Why?
3. Who in your life has exemplified and imparted Godly wisdom? What characteristics mark his/her life?
4. How does the world's definition of wisdom differ from Scripture's definition?
5. According to James 3:13, why can't someone whose life is marked by immorality be considered wise?
6. **Read James 4:1-12.**
7. What does James 4:1-2 say is the root of quarrels and fighting among God's people?
8. Explain what it means to be a friend of the world? What is the end result of friendship with the world (4:5-6)?
9. What is God's role in keeping us from pursuing sin? What is our role?
10. Practically speaking, what does it mean to submit to God and resist the Devil?
11. How would you define repentance for someone who has no knowledge of God's Word?
12. How is it in James 4:11 that speaking evil against a brother is speaking evil against the law?
13. How is intentionally engaging unbelievers different from pursuing friendship with the world?