

7. What is the danger of being “double-minded”? How would you define that?
8. Why would James talk about wealth and humility in the middle of a section on trials and wisdom?

LIVE IT - How should this change the way I live?

9. What’s a situation in your life right now where you need God’s wisdom?
10. When you ask God for help, do you trust Him to give it, or do you struggle with doubt?
11. How does this passage challenge your view of success or identity?
12. What would it look like for you to live with a single-minded trust in God this week?

WISDOM IN THE TRIAL

JAMES 1:5-11

*you don't need **answers**;
you need **wisdom**.*

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I. THE INVITATION TO ASK (v. 5)

Wisdom, like maturity, is not _____.

Wisdom isn't just _____; it's the God-given skill to live faithfully in the middle of hard circumstances.

There's no shame in _____ you lack wisdom; the shame is in pretending you don't.

LIVE IT OUT:

The first step isn't "figure it out" it's "ask God for it."

II. THE CONDITION: ASK IN FAITH (vv. 6-8)

Is faith measurable?

James is clear: you either have faith or you are _____.

That's not just a picture of uncertainty, it's _____.

Doubt here is not _____, but divided loyalty.

God's _____ is to the single-hearted, not the half-hearted.

This individual is consistently _____ throughout their lives.

LIVE IT OUT:

When you pray, settle it in your heart; God's way is best even before you know His answer.

III. THE PERSPECTIVE SHIFT (vv. 9-11)

God's wisdom doesn't just tell you _____ to do; it changes _____ you see.

The poor brother should boast in his exaltation that his _____ is not measured by his net worth.

The rich brother should boast in his humiliation that one day all his _____ will fade away.

Trials have a way of _____ the ground.

Wisdom _____ your perspective.

LIVE IT OUT:

Ask God for wisdom not just to "fix" your problem, but to see your problem through an eternal perspective.

#2 DIVE DEEPER STUDY QUESTIONS

JAMES 1:5-11

1. What stuck out the most to you from this week's message?

SEE IT - What do you notice about this passage?

2. What is the danger of being "double-minded"? How would you define that?

3. How is God described in the way He gives wisdom?

4. What picture does James give of a doubting person?

5. What do you notice about how James describes the poor and the rich?

BELIEVE IT - What does this passage mean?

6. Why do you think James emphasizes asking "in faith, with no doubting"?