# "Wisdom and Faith"

James 1:5-8 Study Guide

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### **Overview of James**

• Author: James Date Written: 45-50 AD

### Themes of James:

- Practical Faith
- Being a Doer of the Word
- Addresses subject of Trials, Temptation, the Tongue, Togetherness, True Religion, Time Management/Awareness, and Trusting God

### **Breakdown of James:**

- 108 Verses in the book of James
- 54 Imperative verbs found throughout

### I. The "Why and When" Problem

### II. The Wisdom Solution

- 1. Defining Wisdom
- 2. James' Assumption
- 3. Receiving Wisdom

## **III. The Faith Requirement**

Verses Referenced: Proverbs 9:10, Hebrews 4:16

#### **Questions for Reflection and Discussion:**

- 1. James exhortation to ask for wisdom, should sway us from asking "why and when." Do you find yourself asking why and when more often than asking for wisdom in your life and trials? Will you continue to ask those same questions, or switch to asking for wisdom?
- 2. How does it make you feel to know that God is wanting to give you wisdom liberally and without reproach? Do you feel more invited to ask God for wisdom, especially if you have asked before, and need to ask again?
- 3. Are you currently feeding into your relationship with God and building your faith in Him, to be able to ask for wisdom, not doubting He will give it to you?
- 4. \*If you answered "no" to question 3.\* How can you start feeding into your relationship with God, and settling your faith in Him today?

This week, re-read James 1:5-8 and pray through the truths you find while reading. Find someone to discuss these chapters with, and share the word with someone you don't know as well.

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