

# Awesome Relationships! It Starts With Wisdom

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The big question:

*James 3:13* - Who is wise and understanding among you? Let him show it by his good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom.

- The secret of awesome relationships is wisdom because wisdom is a \_\_\_\_\_.

It's not a matter of what you say with your lips but a matter of what you live with your life.

- Lack of wisdom causes \_\_\_\_\_ in your relationships.

James 3:14-16 - But if you harbor bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast about it or deny the truth. <sup>15</sup> Such "wisdom" does not come down from heaven but is earthly, unspiritual, of the devil. <sup>16</sup> For where you have envy and selfish ambition, there you find **disorder** and every evil practice.

DISORDER means: *confusion*; comes from *instability*

Evidence of wisdom:

*James 3:17* - But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all **pure**; then peace loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere.

PURE means: *uncorrupted-- pure from fault.*

1. I will \_\_\_\_\_ to have \_\_\_\_\_.

*James 3:17* - But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; **then peace loving...**

2. I will \_\_\_\_\_ push your buttons \_\_\_\_\_.

*James 3:17* - But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace loving, **considerate...**

CONSIDERATE means: *mindful of the feelings of others.*

3. I \_\_\_\_\_ be considerate of others' \_\_\_\_\_.

The two most common mistakes that I make in relationships:

- \* I react to what people say and ignore how people feel.
- \* I invalidate any feelings that I don't feel myself.

*James 3:17* - But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace loving, considerate, **submissive...**

SUBMISSIVE means: *reasonable, willing to listen, open to ideas.*

4. I \_\_\_\_\_ be willing to \_\_\_\_\_ to others.

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5. I will \_\_\_\_\_ keep \_\_\_\_\_.

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SINCERE means: *straightforward and without hypocrisy*.

6. I \_\_\_\_\_ be \_\_\_\_\_.

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### Must Do's To Receive Wisdom

*James 1:5* - If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him.

- I must \_\_\_\_\_ daily.
- I must \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus personally.

*Colossians 2:2-3* - My purpose is that they may be encouraged in heart and united in love, so that they may have the full riches of complete understanding, in order that they may know the mystery of God, namely, Christ,<sup>3</sup> in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.