



Guide

9/27 - James 3:13-18

LOVE

A new commandment I give to you, that you love *one another*... (John 13:34)

- *Internal*: How was your week? Any new life updates? How was your walk with the Lord this week?
- *External*: Practically, is there any individual or family that needs encouragement from us as a group?

TRUTH

Let the word of God dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing *one another*... (Col. 3:16)

1. When you reflect on the message from Sunday, what most resonated with you?
2. Let's read our primary text. How does James define genuine wisdom in verse 13. What is the proof of wisdom?
3. What is "the meekness of wisdom," and why is meekness important?
4. Why does James describe this false wisdom as "earthly, unspiritual, demonic"? How does heavenly wisdom contrast with the results of earthly wisdom?
5. List the other qualities of heavenly wisdom in verse 17. Which ones stand out to you as most needed in relationships? Do you think James put them in this order for a reason?
6. How does verse 18 tie this whole passage together?
7. How do our everyday words and actions reveal whether we are operating from earthly wisdom or wisdom from above? Who in your life could give you honest feedback on this?
8. James says a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace. Are you sowing peace? What "seed" of peace can you intentionally plant today in your home, workplace, church, or online interactions?
9. Any other thoughts you would like to share before we wrap up this text?

GREAT COMMISSION

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations... (Matt. 28:19-20)

- *Internal*: Did you make time to disciple your family this week? Pray with them?
- *External*: Is your life marked by joy/contentment? Are you prepared to share the gospel if the Holy Spirit prompted? Is the name of Jesus on your lips in your day-to-day activity?

CONFESSION/PRAYER/REPENTANCE

But exhort *one another* every day, as long as it is called "today,"... (Heb. 3:12-14)

- Confession is agreeing with God about our sin according to the Scriptures. Is there anything you want to confess before the group, generally? [*apathy, idolatry, selfishness, jealousy, anger, envy*]
- Let's pray, asking God to help us apply His word to our lives, putting to death sinful desires.