



WHAT KIND OF WISDOM?

James 3:13-18

EARTHLY WISDOM

- Notice how earthly wisdom centers around self
 - Natural – fleshly and temporary
 - Demonic – the wisdom that demons possess
 - Bitter jealousy – not looking for the good of others; Rom 13:13
 - Selfish ambition – contending with each other; Gal 5:20; Phil 2:3
 - Arrogance – thinking highly of self; Rom 12:3
 - Disorder – confusion; I Cor 14:33
 - Every evil thing – produces nothing good

HEAVENLY WISDOM

- Notice how these characteristics are turned towards others
 - Pure – makes one upright, sincere & holy; Matt 5:8; Jam 1; 7-8; Jam 4:8
 - Peaceable – peace with God comes from purity; Matt 5:9; Jam 1:19; Jam 3:18
 - Gentle – patient and mild in temperament; Jam 5:7-11; Tit 3
 - Reasonable – easily entreated & willing to yield; Isa 1:18
 - Full of mercy – disposed to be compassionate to others; Matt 5:7; Jam 2:13; Jam 4:11-12; 2 Cor 1:3
 - Full of good works – producing good deeds; Gal 5:22-23; Jam 2:14-26; Jam 3:13
 - Unwavering – without partiality; Rom 2:11; Jam 2:1-13
 - Without hypocrisy – must do and not just understand; Jam 1:21-26; Jam 3:1-12; Jam 4:1-10

Prov 11:2; Prov 15:33

WHY IS WISDOM IMPORTANT?

- Proverbs 4:1-9
 - Wisdom will:
 - Guard you v. 6
 - Watch over you v. 6
 - Exalt you v.8
 - Honor you v.8
 - Place on your head a garland of grace v. 9
 - Present you with a crown of glory v. 9

HOW DO I GET WISDOM?

- Do not be wise in your own estimation. Rom 12:16
- Desire it. Prov 1:20-33
- God is the source. Prov 2:6
- Ask God. Jam 1:5
- Work for it. Prov 4