

JAMES 16

Wisdom for the Kingdom

1. The Kingdom Connection

- a. Matt 5-7 & James 1-5 are providing the same wisdom for entering the kingdom.
- b. Blessed are those that endure ... Matt 5:1-12 / James 1:12
- c. Double minded men - Matt 6:24 / James 1:8-11
- d. Judge not in hypocrisy - Matt 7:1-3 / James 2:4-11
- e. Give to him that asketh thee - Mat 5:42 / James 2:15-17
- f. "But I say", don't curse your enemies - Mat 5:43-44 / James 3:9-11
- g. By their fruits ye shall know them - Matthew 7:20

2. 3:13 - Endued with Knowledge

- a. Who is wise? The man who hears and does - Matt 7:24
- b. The man who understands - Prov 1:5, 1:23, 22:17, Dan 12:9-10
- c. The wise man is the man to whom God has spoken - Jer 9:12, 9:23-24
- d. Endued with knowledge from God - Mat 10:19-20, Luke 21:14-16
- e. They had an unction and "know him" - John 8:55, 1 John 2:3-4, 20-21
- f. The Holy Ghost taught them all things - John 16:13-14, 14:26

3. 3:14-16 - Envy and Strife

- a. For envy they delivered the Lord, they will deliver them too - Mat 27:18
- b. The wise man will show his works with meekness - Psalm 25:8-14
- c. Don't envy, the iniquitous will soon wither - Psalm 37ff (1,8,11,14,16)
- d. The mourners are comforted, the meek inherit, the peacemakers enter in
- e. If they say and do not they lie - 1 John 1:6, James 2:12
- f. The works of the world are evil, and confusing - John 7:7, Phil 3:2

4. 3:17-18 - Godly Wisdom

- a. James 3:17-18 is a summary of Matt 5-7
- b. Who shall ascend? The pure and righteous seeking - Psalm 24
- c. Righteousness - Mat 5:6, 10, 6:33, Pure - Mat 5:8; Peaceable - Mat 5:9

5. 4:1-2 - The Problem Revealed

- a. He is speaking to people who are contentious - 4:1
- b. They are envious and causing strife as a result - Mat 20:21-22
- c. The kingdom would not come by their striving for it - 4:2-3