



LISTEN UP!

James 3:13-4:12 – Faith and wisdom

STEP 1 – Find the book of **James** in your Bibles ...

STEP 2 – Follow in the Bible and **listen up!**

The difference between knowledge and wisdom

Knowledge: a tomato is a F _ _ _ _ .

Wisdom: a tomato doesn't belong in a F _ _ _ _ S _ _ _ _ !!!



Wisdom and humility

Wisdom: the proper use of K _ _ _ _ _ .

Humility (or meekness): the proper use of P _ _ _ _ .



In the Bible passage ...

James isn't just teaching us how *we* should live. He's also pointing us to how *Jesus* lived. Jesus is the perfect Wise Man, and the perfect Humble Man. So James wants the followers of Jesus to be *like Jesus*, when he is teaching them to be wise and humble.

Whose wisdom will we hear? (3:13-18)

False, so-called "wisdom": what two examples does James give us of this kind of behaviour (v14)?

B _ _ _ _ _ E _ _ _ _

S _ _ _ _ _ A _ _ _ _ _

In verse 17 James gives us SEVEN examples of how real, true, *lovely* wisdom will show itself. Which ones are listed here? How do you feel about each of these? – or do you not quite understand some of them?

P _ _ _ _



(or NOT SURE)

P _ _ _ _ - L _ _ _ _ _



(or NOT SURE)

F _ _ _ O _ M _ _ _ _



(or NOT SURE)

S _ _ _ _ _



(or NOT SURE)

If you're not sure about any of these words or phrases, is there someone you can ask?

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Whose friendship do we want? (4:1-12)

When James asks the question,
What causes fights and quarrels among you? ... what's your answer?



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Do you need God's help with this?
Doesn't everyone?

yes
 no
 maybe

When James says,
Come near to God, and he will come near to you ... does that mean you?

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Do you want to come near to God?

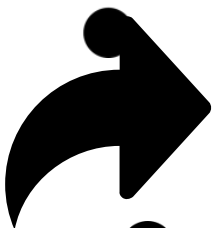
Would you like someone to explain to you how you can?

Chat about your answers over lunch

STEP 3 – During / After the preach...



Have you got any questions about all of this? If so, *write them down*



What is God calling you to do? Write it down...



What do you need God's help with? Write it down...