

2. True wisdom vs. 13, 17,18

a. Origin of true wisdom vs. 17a
It is from God.

b. Characteristics of true wisdom vs. 13,17

(1) It is humble v.13

(2) It is morally pure v. 17a

(3) It is disposed to live in peace with others v.17b

(4) It is gentle in its dealings with others and not harsh vs.17c

(5) It is open to reason vs.17d

(6) It is compassionate vs.17e

(7) It produces good works as a result of being compassionate 17f.

(8) It is impartial in its treatment of others v. 17g

(9) It is genuine v. 17h.

c. Result of true wisdom vs. 18

Result is righteousness.

IX. Outline of James 4

A. The state of the Jewish believers 4:1-5

1. There were fightings and wars among them as a result of their own lusts vs. 1,2

2. They neglected prayer and as a result, they didn't have what they ~~needed~~^{desired}. vs. 2

3. When they prayed, they didn't obtain what they ~~needed~~^{desired} because they prayed with an improper motive, and that motive was to have the means of gratifying their sensual desires. vs. 3

4. They desired the friendship of the world vs. 4

5. They were envious vs. 5

B. The reason for the state of the Jewish believers

They didn't have the wisdom that comes from God, but they had the wisdom that comes from the earth, from their own base nature, and from demons.

C. The means by which the Jewish believers can be delivered from this state. The means is the grace of God vs. 6