

James: Ask for Wisdom

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James 1:5-8



This morning we continued our new series, James: All up in your Business. James wrote his unique letter as a way to challenge the early christians the way they were living their lives. This week we opened up James second instruction aimed at helping Christians live a life that is consistent with the values, beliefs, and teachings of Jesus: to ask God for wisdom in faith, without doubt.

Getting Started

Austin began with an admission of a punishment that his parents gave (writing sentences). What was your least favorite punishment growing up?

Read

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Digging Deeper

- As you reflect on the passage above, what stands out? What's your initial reaction to the text? Is it confusion? Comfort? Concern?
- One of the things we clarified on Sunday was the kind of doubt that James means when he says that, "we should ask in faith, without doubt." James is talking about a doubt of active duplicity, of wavering commitment. What stood out to you about this? Were you challenged in any way?
- Wisdom is the ability to see things from God's perspective and to live accordingly. Is there currently anything in your life that you sense the need to ask God for wisdom in? If so, what?
- On Sunday, Austin closed with pointing out how God gives this gift of wisdom. God is unrelenting, unreserved, uncalculating, and unwavering. Which of these have you experienced most clearly? What's hardest to believe?



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