

Right Living In a Wrong World

James 3:13-18

Going Deeper James 3:13-18

1. In your own words, what do you think is the big idea or the main concept of this Scripture passage?
2. What did I learn today or what stood out to me the most?
3. What has been or is the most difficult part of this Scripture passage to understand or apply to my life?
4. It's tough to balance truth and love. Why might it be wrong to sacrifice truth in the pursuit of love? Can you think of an example?
5. Can you remember a time that you felt like you were right, but that maybe you went about confronting the situation in the wrong way? Explain.
6. Look up 2 Timothy 2:24-26. What helps or clues in this Scripture passage do you find for helping the believer to walk in wisdom when it comes to sharing truth in love?
7. Paul exhorted the Corinthians about some conflicts in their assembling together as the body (church) of Christ in I Corinthians 14:33 saying, "For God is not a God of disorder (confusion) but of peace..." In reviewing the Scriptures today, what do you think causes problems in the church and lack of peace? What helps promote peace and order in the church?
8. How does today's message apply to your life? How are you going to live differently this week because of what you have heard and read?
9. What of the seven Godly traits listed in James 3:17 is hardest for you and that you want to improve upon the most? What is an idea or two that would help you improve on this trait?
10. What is a practical way you can practice pursuing peace this week? What 'seeds can you sow' this week? i.e. with your spouse, your boss, co-worker, parent, friend, enemy, etc.?