

JAMES 3:13-18

• ¹³ Who is wise and understanding among you? Let them show it by their good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom. ¹⁴ But if you harbor bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast about it or deny the truth. ¹⁵ Such "wisdom" does not come down from heaven but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic.

JAMES 3:13-18

- ¹⁶ For where you have envy and selfish ambition, there you find disorder and every evil practice.
- ¹⁷ But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere. ¹⁸ Peacemakers who sow in peace reap a harvest of righteousness.

• There Were Problems In The Churches

1 CORINTHIANS 3:3

• ³ You are still worldly. For since there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not worldly? Are you not acting like mere humans?

PHILIPPIANS 2:14

• 14 Do everything without grumbling or arguing,

- There Were Problems In The Churches
- The Problems Were Caused By "Wisdom"

PROVERBS 1:2-3

 For gaining wisdom and instruction; for understanding words of insight;
³ for receiving instruction in prudent behavior, doing what is right and just and fair;

PROVERBS 27:4

 ⁴ Anger is cruel and fury overwhelming, but who can stand before jealousy?

PHILIPPIANS 1:15-17

• ¹⁵ It is true that some preach Christ out of envy and rivalry, but others out of goodwill. ¹⁶ The latter do so out of love, knowing that I am put here for the defense of the gospel. ¹⁷ The former preach Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely, supposing that they can stir up trouble for me while I am in chains.

- There Were Problems In The Churches
- The Problems Were Caused By "Wisdom"
- The Solution To The Problem Was Wisdom

PHILIPPIANS 2:3-4

³ Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit.
Rather, in humility value others above yourselves,
⁴ not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.

1 CORINTHIANS 1:23-24, 30

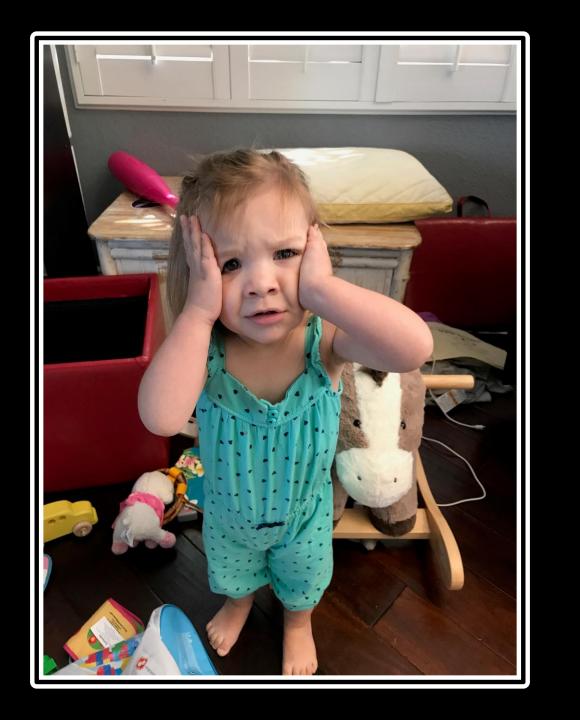
- ²³ but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴ but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.
- ³⁰ It is because of Him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God—that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption.

LUKE 2:49

• 49 "Why were you searching for me?" He asked. "Didn't you know I had to be in my Father's house?"

JOHN 5:19

• ¹⁹ Jesus gave them this answer: "Very truly I tell you, the Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does.



APPLICATION

- You Gotta Want It
- You Gotta Have a Source
- You Gotta Have Fear

PROVERBS 9:10

 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.

