

## Week 5 – The Wisdom of God



### Group Time

Be sure to keep an eye on your time allotment for each activity. Leaders guide the conversation, making sure everyone participates.

#### First-Third:

- Member Care:**
  - Leader: “How is everyone doing?”
  - Each participant offers a prayer request and a praise.
- Look Back:** Each participant shares (gives an account of) what or how they did on their “Look Forward” activity commitment from the last meeting:
  - **What was the one thing you picked to change in order to lead a more holy life?**
  - **Did you try to change it this past week?**
  - **What did you do, how did it go?**
- Prayers and Praises** for what God is doing.



#### Second-Third:

- Look Up:** Read James 5:7-8.

Watch this week’s video to cover the main point:

*Seek after and align your life to the wisdom of God.*

- Look In:** Often we think we know what is best. We think we know what is best for our life and what is best for others. God has a wisdom and understanding that we cannot begin to comprehend because He sees everything that is, could be, and will be. Because we do not see or understand what God does, we struggle to make wise decisions.

But there is good news! Wisdom is available for those who simply ask (James 1:5-7). If you ask in faith and ask in reverence, you can live in wisdom.

**POINT:** *You can live in wisdom, so don't waste your life on worldly foolishness.*

#### Discussion Questions:

- Define wisdom according to our world. How does it compare it to God’s definition?**
- Why does the fact that God knows everything that is, that could be, and that will be make his wisdom better?**
- What keeps us from seeking God's wisdom?**
- How can we seek or find God's wisdom?**

#### Final-Third:

- Look Forward:** What is something practical (measurable) I can DO before our next meeting, in obedience to the lesson?

**Read Ephesians 5:15-17.**

**Big Idea: WISDOM IS ALIGNING YOUR LIFE TO GOD**

- **What is one area of your life where you are not walking in wisdom?**
  - **What is one step you can take in this area towards walking in wisdom this week? Is there a distraction or barrier that needs removing?**
  - **What is your action plan? Share your plan with your group for feedback and suggestions.**
  - **Next meeting, be prepared to share how it went.**
- Practice:** If this step involves going someplace or committing to an activity, plan it out now. What is the schedule? If this step involves talking with someone (ex: sharing the Good News or asking for forgiveness), what will you say? Who will you say it to? Practice that now to get feedback and suggestions.
  - Pray** for one another to be obedient to do this step, commissioning one another for the task. Praise God for speaking into our lives.