

James 3:13 (NLT)

If you are WISE and understand God's ways, prove it by living an honorable life, doing good works with the humility that comes from WISDOM.

James 3:16 (NLT)

For wherever there is jealousy and selfish ambition, there you will find disorder and evil of every kind.

James 3:17 (NLT)

But the WISDOM from above is first of all pure. It is also peace loving, gentle at all times, and willing to yield to others. It is full of mercy and good deeds. It shows no favoritism and is always sincere.

James 3:18 (NLT)

And those who are peacemakers will
plant seeds of peace and reap a harvest
of righteousness.

Wisdom from
ABOVE

James 3:16-18

Worldly Wisdom or godly Wisdom?



A **godly life** cannot be developed in
a climate of **bitter-envy** and
selfish-ambition which is **fostered**
by wisdom from **BELOW**. PTW

Romans 8:8 (NIV)

Those **CONTROLLED**
by the **sinful nature**
cannot please God.

The godly person's heart is
PURE
in its **unmixed devotion to God.**

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Isaiah 26:3 (HCS)

You will keep the mind that is
DEPENDENT on You in perfect **PEACE**,
for it is **trusting in You**.

PEACE is way more than the absence of
conflict or strife it includes **FULLNESS**
that does not depend on external
circumstances.

The **GENTLE** person does not
deliberately cause fights, but neither
does he compromise the truth in order
to keep peace.

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People who are **faithful are fruitful.**
God's **WISDOM** does not make a life
empty; it makes it **full.**

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Wisdom from above brings
strength from above.

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Romans 12.9 (NIV)

Love must be **SINCERE**.

Hate what is **evil**;

CLING to what is **good**.

Godly WISDOM is living
without scheming.

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Matthew 5:9 (NIV)

Blessed are the **PEACEMAKERS**,
for they will be called **sons of God**.

Isaiah 32:17 (NIV)

The **FRUIT** of righteousness

will be **PEACE**;

the **EFFECT** of righteousness

will be quietness and confidence forever.

Righteousness cannot be produced
in the climate of **bitter-envy** and
selfish-ambition fostered by **wisdom**
from below.

Righteousness can only grow in a
climate of **PEACE**.

→ As Christians we Cannot **JUSTIFY** or **GLORIFY** living by **Worldly Wisdom**

Luke 6:27-28 (NIV)

But I tell you who hear **ME**:

LOVE your enemies,

DO GOOD to those who hate you,

BLESS those who curse you,

PRAY for those who mistreat you.

We Live for HIM by...

- **LOVING** your enemies
- Doing **GOOD** to those who **HATE** us
- **BLESSING** those who **CURSE** us
- **PRAYING** for those who **MISTREAT** us

→ Wisdom from Above is about the
Holy Spirit having **CONTROL**

[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.

Romans 8:8 (NIV)

Those **CONTROLLED** by
the **sinful nature**
cannot please God.

2 Thessalonians 1:11 (NLT)

So we keep on praying for you, **asking**
our **God** to **ENABLE** you to live a life
worthy of His call.

May **HE** give you the **power**
to **ACCOMPLISH** all the **good things**
your faith **prompts** you to do.

Jesus said...

Take **MY** yoke upon you and **LEARN** from **ME**

MY yoke is easy and **MY** burden is **light**



→ There is a Difference between **HATING CONFLICT** and being a **PEACEMAKER**

[18] **Peacemakers** who sow in peace
raise a **harvest of righteousness**

Romans 12:18 (NIV)

IF it is possible,

as far as it depends on you,

live at **PEACE** with everyone.

Romans 12:21 (NIV)

Do not be overcome by evil,
but **OVERCOME** evil
with **GOOD.**

Peace WITH God

Romans 5:1-2 (NIV)

Therefore, since we have been
justified through faith,
we **HAVE Peace WITH God**
through our Lord Jesus Christ...

Peace OF God

Philippians 4:6-7 (NIV)

Do not be **anxious** about anything, but in everything, by **prayer** and **petition**, with **thanksgiving**, **present your requests** to God.

[7] And the **Peace OF God**, which **transcends ALL** understanding, will guard your **hearts** and your **minds** **IN Christ Jesus**.

James 1:2 (NIV)

Consider it **pure joy**, my brothers,
whenever you face TRIALS
of many kinds...

➤ Will we go to God in **DEPENDENCE**

➤ Will we go to God with **DEMANDS**

James 1:5 (NIV)

If any of you **lacks wisdom**,
he should **ASK God**, who **gives**
generously to all without finding fault,
and it will be given to him.