James #19

Wisdom is given to those who truly seek.

Let us open in our anchor study in the book of James chapter one.

We will read through the first 8 verses to get us back on track.

Jam 1:1 James, a bond-servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, To the twelve tribes who are dispersed abroad: Greetings.

Pastor James was trained under the Apostle Peter to be the leader of the church in Jerusalem.

It was predominately Jewish converts, and he sent a letter out to the other Jewish converts scattered abroad.

They needed to remain faithful and strong. Because more adversities and enemies of Christianity were arising.

[Jas 1:2](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/jas/1/2/s_1147002) Consider it all joy, my brothers *and sisters,* when you encounter various trials,

Not if - but when, we encounter adversity and challenges.

[Jas 1:3](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/jas/1/3/s_1147003) knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance.

We looked at testing for spiritual growth.

It is a key principle in growing toward SM. Faith is often tested for the benefit of the Bel, as well as others in their periphery.

[Jas 1:4](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/jas/1/4/s_1147004) And let endurance have its perfect result, so that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.

We just finished nearly seven hours on the doctrine of the Edification Complex of the Soul.

Endurance and steadfast strength, is needed for this soul structure.

Whether you are positive or negative toward BD, you are allowing something to be constructed in your soul.

 REPEAT

As I mentioned before - James is using a similar teaching technique as the Apostle Paul – pointing out the building blocks of the right thing done in the right way.

/[Jas 1:5](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/jas/1/5/s_1147005) But if **any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God**, who gives to all **generously and without reproach**, and it will be given to him.\

[Jas 1:6](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/jas/1/6/s_1147006) But he must ask in faith without any doubting, for the one who doubts is like the surf of the sea, driven and tossed by the wind.

Faith is seen here as tested, and the failure is that some Christians are tethered to emotions - not strong, durable BD and faith.

That is how you are tossed by the wind.

[Jas 1:7](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/jas/1/7/s_1147007) For that person ought not to expect that he will receive anything from the Lord,

[Jas 1:8](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/jas/1/8/s_1147008) *being* a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

/Knowledge is raw information but wisdom knows how to use it. Wisdom in the plan of God is seen in proper application. One old saying on wisdom is this - *that knowledge is the ability to take things apart, but wisdom is the ability to put things together*. Real discernment is born from wisdom. \

Turn to the Gospel of John chapter 14 RF.

Wisdom in reference to GOD is the supreme authority, there is nothing above the wisdom of GOD – it is pure, powerful and definitive as well as infinite.

 REPEAT

Until the Christian gets off the fence in the area of understanding that human wisdom and cosmic system ideologies are flawed. That only GOD has the authority over true, divine wisdom, that Christian will never break into a high maturity barrier.

/Jam 1:5 - *any of you lacks wisdom (Sophia), let him ask of God (aiteō);*

Wisdom in reference to GOD is divine and pure – it is only found in the mind of Christ. *To ask* - is a verb written in the present, active, imperative – meaning a strong desire to the point of begging.\

SO-FEE I-TAY-O – the present tense is telling us this is a lifestyle.

The active voice points to the Bel’s own responsibility.

The imperative mood speaks to the serious nature, or command to pursue wisdom in this fashion.

This means you have a craving and strong desire and you will continue to do what it takes to get this wisdom.

 REPEAT

Luckily, all it takes is the two power options becoming a lifestyle for the Bel.

Because God’s plan is perfect and HIS precious SON, completed all the work - we simply need to align ourselves up with HIS plan.

Listen to the teaching of TLJC;

/Jhn 14:6 Jesus said to him, “**I am the way, and the truth, and the life**; no one comes to the Father except **through Me.**

Through Christ and IN CHRIST - It is the only path into eternal security and also the only path into truth (BD / knowledge).\

Divine wisdom comes from truth (BD) first, before it eventually becomes wisdom.

There is no other way – there is no short cut or human effort that brings forth divine wisdom in your life.

Jesus is speaking in HIS humanity here and HE is reassuring the apostles like Peter and Thomas that HE will return for them.

They need not be troubled or concerned about eternal security.

Jump down into verse 21;

/Jhn 14:21 “**The one who has My commandments and keeps them is the one who loves Me**; and the one who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and **will reveal Myself to him**.”

There is no intimate relationship with Christ away from HIS mind. This is a reciprocal relationship.\

God never forces HIMSELF upon anyone – He calls out, HE knocks and HE makes all the effort. But HE does not force anyone to have a relationship with HIM.

 Much of verse 21 is written in the Greek present tense – this again points to a lifestyle.

/The unique, reciprocal relationship we have with GOD is not dependent upon our works in the flesh. It is dependent upon a habitual, virtue Love relationship, that is only found in our union with Christ. Everything was already given, everything already accomplished, we simply use our freedom, that HE gave us to align ourselves up with HIM.\

Your time, talent and treasure are grace gifts from God – what you do with them makes a difference in the end.

It is the difference between a winner and loser in heaven.

/Jhn 14:21 - *who has My commandments and keeps them (tēreō);*

This does not mean to just grab hold – it means to guard and protect, to watch over carefully. It had a military implication as a fortress. Present tense – a lifestyle, keep on doing this! \

TAY-RAY-O, does not just mean to grab and keep, it speaks to a deeper responsibility.

[Jhn 14:22](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/jhn/14/22/s_1011022) Judas (not Iscariot) said to Him, “Lord, what has happened that You are going to reveal Yourself to us and not to the world?”

Judas also known as Thaddeus the brother of little James, is probably the one referenced here.

/[Jhn 14:23](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/jhn/14/23/s_1011023) Jesus answered and said to him, “**If anyone loves Me, he will follow My word;** and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and **make *Our* dwelling**(*monē*) **with him**.

IF – Greek 3rd class condition, it is very probable in the future, still a future uncertainty, with strong a possibility.\

MON-AY, speaks to a place of comfort, it was often used to describe a mansion.

Those who claim to love the LORD yet have no desire to study HIS mind, are fooling themselves…nobody else.

This also points us to an Edification Complex of the Soul.

/The indwelling (Trinity) occurs instantly at salvation. Yet it is not fully built into a mansion or a place of divine comfort (ECS) until the Bel grows up spiritually. The love relationship we have is IN THE WORD, filled by the SPIRIT. There is no mediation, emotional responses or praying yourself into a serious relationship – it is in the completed canon of scripture, under the power of GOD the HS.\

[Jhn 14:24](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/jhn/14/24/s_1011024) “The one who does not love Me does not follow My words; and the word which you hear is not Mine, but the Father’s who sent Me.

Keep in mind Jesus is speaking from HIS humanity.

The Father’s perfect plan was that we were given the mind of Christ, after our LORD sat down at the right hand of the throne in heaven.

We were given a unique union with Christ which we tap into every time we get filled by God the HS.

There is no other avenue of intimacy with GOD outside of the WORD.

[Jhn 14:25](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/jhn/14/25/s_1011025) “These things I have spoken to you while remaining with you.

/[Jhn 14:26](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/jhn/14/26/s_1011026) “But **the Helper** (*paraklētos*), **the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things**, and remind you of all that I said to you.

The divine counselor or the legal assistant and guide. The advocate who gives clarity and goes with you.\

PARA-CLETUS, a legal advisor, a counselor and guide…or one who comes along side to walk with you.

[Jhn 14:27](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/jhn/14/27/s_1011027) “Peace I leave you, My peace I give you; not as the world gives, do I give to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled, nor fearful.

/Wisdom is knowing and doing the will of God. Wisdom is built upon the repetitive exercise of doing the will of God. Wisdom is defined as knowledge of what is true or right combined with good judgment (discernment). The good judgment is the result of allowing the mentorship of God the Holy Spirit. Your Believer priesthood is dependent on divine wisdom.\

When Bible doctrine is circulated into all the compartments of the stream of consciousness within your soul, a harmonious relationship with God develops.

We will close today in Ephesians chapter one RF.

/Many Christians do not have a balanced or harmonious life in reference to a relationship with God. Therefore, their ambassadorship, priesthood and spiritual combat strength is skewed. Emotions, counterfeits and human viewpoint knock any spiritual harmony off course.\

This is seen within your harmonious relationship with God, or failure to have a harmonious rapport with God.

We will close looking at another aspect of divine wisdom which the Apostle Paul touched on in Ephesus;

Eph 1:7 In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our wrongdoings, according to the riches of His grace

/[Eph 1:8](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/eph/1/8/s_1098008) which He lavished on us. In **all wisdom** (s*ophia*) **and insight** (*phronesis*)-

Grace means we do not earn or deserve it, yet GOD makes sure we have it! This speaks to wisdom in action in the area of discernment. \

FRON-EESES, means a deeper intellect and moral insight.

It means you begin to make better decisions as well.

All Bels are given everything they need to grow inside the plan of GOD.

It simply comes down positive volition.

There are no legitimate excuses.

[Eph 1:9](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/eph/1/9/s_1098009) He made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure which He set forth in Him,

/All mystery doctrine (dispensations, baptism and filling power of Spirit, Rapture of the Bride, Royal Family, priesthood, Hypostatic union, etc.) is fulfilled in the person and work of Christ, which is only revealed in the completed canon of scripture. \

It remained a mystery until we had the full and complete mind of Christ.

Only the apostles and prophets fully understood it before the completed canon of scripture.

[Eph 1:10](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/eph/1/10/s_1098010) regarding *His* plan of the fullness of the times, to bring all things together in Christ, things in the heavens and things on the earth.

*The fullness of times* – is plural – it means we now have a full understanding of dispensations, including the last one to come, the 1,000 years of Christ on earth.

Look what the angel Gaberial said to John the Baptist’s father (Zechariah);

/Luk 1:17 “And *it is* he *who* will go *as a forerunner* before Him in the spirit and power of Elijah, TO TURN THE HEARTS OF FATHERS BACK TO *THEIR* CHILDREN, and the **disobedient**(*phronesis*) to the attitude of the righteous, **to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.”**

A deeper intellect and discernment. You can not see what Divine viewpoint is without wisdom! \

FRON-EESES, means a deeper intellect and moral insight, the same word we just noted in Eph 1:8.

It is where we get discernment from – the Angel Gaberial said to Zechariah – your son John, will proclaim Christ, then teach and guide them into greater knowledge which will, for some - become divine wisdom.

So, they will have the proper discernment to recognize the Messiah when HE walks among them.

Many still did not recognize TLJC when HE arrived.

Because many never took the knowledge and digested it, then allowed the truth to be mixed with faith.

Truly listening and accepting something, goes beyond simply hearing something.

Many heard the words of John the Baptist, only a few took those words deep within their soul.