

## THE PUZZLE OF RELATIONSHIPS

### Piece # 9 Relating Wisely

James 3:18 And those who are peacemakers will plant seeds of peace and reap a harvest of righteousness.

Wisdom Is A \_\_\_\_\_

James 3:13 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.

\_\_\_\_\_ Of Wisdom Causes Problems

James 3:14 But if you are bitterly jealous and there is selfish ambition in your heart, don't cover up the truth with boasting and lying.

15 For jealousy and selfishness are not God's kind of wisdom. Such things are earthly, unspiritual, and demonic.

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

\_\_\_\_\_ At A Description Of Wisdom

James 3:17 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 the fruit of good deeds. It shows no favoritism and is always sincere.

If I Am Wise:

I Won't \_\_\_\_\_ My Integrity

James 3:17 But the wisdom from above is first of all pure...

Proverbs 10:9 People with integrity walk safely, but those who follow crooked paths will be exposed.

I Won't \_\_\_\_\_ Your Anger

James 3:17 But the wisdom from above ... is also peace loving,

Proverbs 20:3 Avoiding a fight is a mark of honor; only fools insist on quarreling.

## Four Things That Cause Arguments

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Proverbs 14:29 People with understanding control their anger; a hot temper shows great foolishness.

Romans 12:18 Do all that you can to live in peace with everyone.

I Won't \_\_\_\_\_ Your Feelings

James 3:17 But the wisdom from above is ... gentle at all times,

Proverbs 15:4 Gentle words are a tree of life; a deceitful tongue crushes the spirit.

I Won't \_\_\_\_\_ Your Suggestions

James 3:17 But the wisdom from above is ... willing to yield to others.

Proverbs 12:15 Fools think their own way is right, but the wise listen to others.

I Won't \_\_\_\_\_ Your Mistakes

James 3:17 But the wisdom from above is ... full of mercy and the fruit of good deeds.

Proverbs 17:9 Love prospers when a fault is forgiven, but dwelling on it separates close friends.

James 2:12 So whatever you say or whatever you do, remember that you will be judged by the law that sets you free.

13 There will be no mercy for those who have not shown mercy to others. But if you have been merciful, God will be merciful when he judges you.

I Won't \_\_\_\_\_ My Relationships

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Mark 12:14 "Teacher," they said, "we know how honest you are. You are impartial and don't play favorites. You teach the way of God truthfully.

1 Peter 1:22 You were cleansed from your sins when you obeyed the truth, so now you must show sincere love to each other as brothers and sisters. Love each other deeply with all your heart.

James 1:5 If you need wisdom, ask our generous God, and he will give it to you. He will not rebuke you for asking.

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