

James 1:5-8



We Need Wisdom Desperately

- 1. Our Nature is Foolish
- 2. Our World is Foolish





(1) God's Wisdom

1. It is Divine

2. It is Rooted in Fear of Lord

3. It is Practical





4. It is Christ

5. It is Given by the Holy Spirit 6. It is Only Found in God's Word

faith that WERKS



7. It is Revealed in the Gospel
8. It is Given to all who Ask
9. It is Foolishness to World
10. It is withheld from Doubters

faith that WERKS

(2) God's Command: Ask!





- 1. We Must Ask God, not man
- 2. We Must Ask Continually
- 3. We Must Ask in Prayer
- 4. We Must Ask according to God's

Will



(3) God's Character





1. God Gives Generously

2. God Gives to All who Ask in Faith





3. God Gives without Reproach
4. God Gives us Wisdom in His
Word



4 God's Promise

1. God Always Gives **Wisdom** when we ask 2. God Always Gives **Exactly** what we need





How we get God's Wisdom

(1) We Must Ask in Faith

faith that WORKS



- 1. We Must have Saving Faith
- 2. We Must have Sanctifying Faith
 - a. We have the Right Heart
 - b. We have the Right Motives
 - c. We have the Right Will





(2) We Must Ask without Doubting

faith that WORKS



1. What we Doubt:

a. We Doubt God's Power

b. We Doubt God's Love

c. We Doubt God's Goodness

d. We Doubt God's Word





2. What Doubt looks like:

a. Doubt is like a Wave of Sea

b. Doubt is Double-Mindedness

c. Doubt is Unstable





3. What Doubt does:

a. Doubt Blocks God's Gifts

b. Doubt Creates a Barrier

between us and God

c. Doubt Leads to Disobedience

and Rebellion



Application:

- 1. We need to Ask for Wisdom
- 2. We need to Stop Doubting

