

## **James 3 Bible Study Questions**

### **Theme 1: Taming the Tongue (James 3:1-12)**

#### **James 3:1-2**

- Q) What is your understanding of verse 1? Is it limited to the teachers in Church or to all Christians who disciple in some capacity?
- Q) In what ways have you “stumbled in word”?
- Q) What in your opinion James means by “bridling your whole body”? Why do you think he says that?

#### **James 3:3-6**

- Q) What is your understanding of verses 4-5?
- Q) How is the tongue like the fire in the forest?
- Q) According to verse 6, if the tongue is set to defile the whole body, is it advisable to be silent more often?

#### **James 3:7-12**

- Q) What does James mean in verse 8 when he says, “no man can tame the tongue”?
- Q) Can you relate to verse 9? What can we learn from verse 9?
- Q) During struggling times, in what ways can you tune your mind to see people as the image of God?
- Q) How can you explain verses 11-12?
- Q) According to you, what is the significance of a tongue? Why did God give us a tongue?
- Q) What do you think is the solution to an untamable tongue?

### **Theme 2: Earthly Wisdom vs. Heavenly Wisdom (James 3:13-18)**

#### **James 3:13-18**

- Q) What does verse 13 mean to you?
- Q) How are Christians supposed to show up according to verse 13?
- Q) What is earthly wisdom according to verses 14-15?
- Q) What are the attributes mentioned in verse 16 of an envious and self-seeking person?
- Q) What are the attributes of the wisdom that comes from heaven according to verse 17?
- Q) What is the fruit of righteousness according to verse 18?