

## Sermon Reflection: (10 min)

**Proclamation of God's Word – Text:** James 3:13-18 (ESV)

**Title:** Faithful Character In Crisis: Wisdom from Above **Teacher:** David Springer

**Intro:** Searching for Wisdom

Why do we search for wisdom?

Why did God desire as part of our design to make us wisdom-less?

### THE SOURCES OF WISDOM – “Consider the Source”

**Heavenly, From Above – God is at the Center of All Things**

What do you love most about “Wisdom from Above”?

**Earthly – You are at the Center of All Things**

What earthly wisdom has caused or causes chaos in your life?

### **THE SEEDS OF WISDOM**

**Heavenly – From Above**

Are you perpetually thankful for the gifts of wisdom in your life?

**Earthly -**

Where are you discontent?

Where are you encouraging discontentment in others?

### **THE SOLUTION WE ALL NEED – Look to Jesus**

Now we look to Jesus, wisdom from above, whose works in His life, death and resurrection match the words of love for us.

Where have you stopped “looking to Jesus”? Ask Him for wisdom as you look to Him on the Cross.

The Points of the Cross of Jesus - it is as if the Cross of Jesus points us in 4 LOOKS

1. Jesus' Right Arm nailed to the cross causes us to look deeply at our past efforts, errors, rebellions and sins. So we look and look and look some more at our selfishness and conclude, by the work of Holy Spirit, we are in need.
2. Jesus' Feet are pointed down to Hell as it were and to the rightful place due us for our sin and selfishness.
3. Jesus' Left Arm Nailed to the cross points us to consider our future, the eternal life purchased by Christ free gifted to us by faith which now earns, wins, for us because our record of sins are forgiven, our life now is described by the perfection of Jesus - we are now and forever adopted into the Family of God.
4. Jesus Head rests on the part of the beam of the Cross that points to His Father's throne in heaven, His home, where Jesus' resurrection will establish the Father's delight in Him and prove forever HE IS THE SON OF GOD. And we will join Him for a big party that lasts forever and ever.