

# SUNDAY MORNING MESSAGE @ FBC

August 7, 2022

## JAMES – PRACTICAL CHRISTIAN LIVING - PART 3

### “How To Make Up Your Mind”

James 1:5-11 *“If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him. But when he asks, he must believe and not doubt, because he who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind. That man should not think he will receive anything from the Lord; he is a double-minded man, unstable in all he does. The brother in humble circumstances ought to take pride in his high position. But the one who is rich should take pride in his low position, because he will pass away like a wildflower. For the sun rises with scorching heat and withers the plant; its blossom falls, and its beauty is destroyed. In the same way, the rich man will fade away even while he goes about his business.”*

#### THE PROBLEM: \_\_\_\_\_

James 1:8 *“A double minded man is unstable in all his ways.”*

“**Doubled Minded**” means “two souled” or “divided loyalties”

#### Indecision causes....

- Unstable \_\_\_\_\_
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#### THE PRESCRIPTION: \_\_\_\_\_

##### 1. A \_\_\_\_\_

James 1:5a *“If anyone lacks wisdom...”*

**Definition of Wisdom:** “Sophia” \_\_\_\_\_!

Proverbs 11:2 *“When pride comes, then disgrace, but with humility comes wisdom.”*

##### 2. A \_\_\_\_\_

James 1:5b *“...he should ask God....”*

Proverbs 2:6 *“It is the Lord who gives wisdom; from Him comes knowledge and understanding.”*

##### 3. A \_\_\_\_\_

James 1:6 *“But when he asks, he must believe and not doubt....”*

Hebrews 11:6 *“And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to Him must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who earnestly seek Him.”*

##### 4. A \_\_\_\_\_

James 1:9-10 *“The brother in humble circumstances ought to take pride in his high position. But the one who is rich should take pride in his low position, because he will pass away like a wildflower.”*

Matthew 6:19-20 *“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal.”*

Isaiah 55:1-3 *“Is anyone thirsty? Come and drink--even if you have no money! Come, take your choice of wine or milk--it's all free! Why spend your money on food that does not give you strength? Why pay for food that does you no good? Listen, and I will tell you where to get food that is good for the soul! Come to me with your ears wide open. Listen, for the life of your soul is at stake.”*

#### THE PROMISE: \_\_\_\_\_

James 1:5c *“...Ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him.”*

#### How God Gives:

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