



Guide

8/16 - James 1:5-11

LOVE

A new commandment I give to you, that you love *one another*... (John 13:34)

- *Internal*: How was your week? Any new life updates? How was your walk with the Lord this week?
- *External*: Practically, is there any individual or family that needs encouragement from us as a group?

TRUTH

Let the word of God dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing *one another*... (Col. 3:16)

1. When you reflect on the message from Sunday, what most resonated with you?
2. Let's read our primary text. What does verse 5 reveal about God's character?
3. Why do you think James connects wisdom directly to prayer, rather than to study, experience, or human counsel?
4. James compares the doubter to "a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind" (v. 6). What does this image communicate?
5. What does James mean by calling someone "double-minded" (v. 8)?
6. What does it mean for the "lowly brother" to "boast in his exaltation" (v. 9)?
7. What does the imagery of the fading flower in verse 11 add?
8. What is the unifying theme James is building across verses 5–11, and how might it apply to a believer's daily life today?
9. How does this passage encourage you, instill healthy fear, give you hope, etc.?
10. Any other thoughts you would like to share before we wrap up this text?

GREAT COMMISSION

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations... (Matt. 28:19-20)

- *Internal*: Did you make time to disciple your family this week? Pray with them?
- *External*: Is your life marked by joy/contentment? Are you prepared to share the gospel if the Holy Spirit prompted? Is the name of Jesus on your lips in your day-to-day activity?

CONFESSION/PRAYER/REPENTANCE

But exhort *one another* every day, as long as it is called "today,"... (Heb. 3:12-14)

- Confession is agreeing with God about our sin according to the Scriptures. Is there anything you want to confess before the group, generally? [*apathy, idolatry, selfishness, jealousy, anger, envy*]
- Let's pray, asking God to help us apply His word to our lives, putting to death sinful desires.