



Wise Up! #5

Part 5: “Acting Wisely in Relationships”

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- **Wisdom is a _____**

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¹⁵This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. ¹⁶For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice.” (James 3:14–16, ESV)

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1. If I’m Wise I Won’t Compromise _____

“¹⁷But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere.” (James 3:17, ESV)

“⁹Whoever walks in integrity walks securely, but he who makes his ways crooked will be found out.” (Proverbs 10:9, ESV)

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“³It is an honor for a man to keep aloof from strife, but every fool will be quarreling.” (Proverbs 20:3, ESV)

“²⁹Whoever is slow to anger has great understanding, but he who has a hasty temper exalts folly.” (Proverbs 14:29, ESV)

3. If I’m Wise I Won’t Minimize _____

“¹⁷But the wisdom from above is...gentle... (James 3:17, ESV)

“⁴A gentle tongue is a tree of life, but perverseness in it breaks the spirit.” (Proverbs 15:4, ESV)

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“⁹Whoever covers an offense seeks love, but he who repeats a matter separates close friends.” (Proverbs 17:9, ESV)

“¹Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness... (Galatians 6:1, ESV)

“¹We who are strong have an obligation to bear with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves (Romans 15:1–2, ESV)

“³Why do you see the speck that is in your brother’s eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye?” (Matthew 7:3, ESV)

6. If I’m Wise I Won’t Disguise _____

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...Christ, ³in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. ⁴I say this in order that no one may delude you with plausible arguments.” (Colossians 2:2–4, ESV)



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