



Wise Up!

Part 5: Acting Wise in Relationships by Louie Marsh, 11-16-2025

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“¹⁴But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. 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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“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)

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“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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4. If I'm wise I won't criticize your _____.

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

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

(Matthew 7:3, ESV)

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“²that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, to reach all the riches of full assurance of understanding and the knowledge of God's mystery, which is 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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