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- 4) Would it be fair to say that, "Worldly wisdom is shortsighted?" Why or why not?
- 5) How does worldly wisdom work to divide people? Have you found people who are considered "wise" by the world's standards to be unapproachable?
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- 7) How is heavenly wisdom gained? Can it be lost?
- 8) How does James' approach to wisdom turn our thinking about the subject inside out? Why is a greater understanding of how we work, rather than how the world works, so important to have? How do we gain that understanding?
- 9) How is worldly wisdom hurting you?
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