

STUDY GUIDE

November 10

STAY IN THE LOOP

Announcements



- We're excited to participate in the **Christmas Parade** in Kemptville on November 16 and in Winchester on December 7! Join our construction team or become one of our parade walkers. Sign up today!
- Join us next Sunday, Nov 17, for **Prayer and Praise** at 6:30pm (Kemptville)

START WITH PRAYER

Use this Prayer Prompt

Thank God for generously giving us wisdom when we ask for it. Ask God to give us wisdom and strength when trials and temptations come our way.

STUDY THE BIBLE

Think through and discuss your reactions as you read through Scripture:

Matthew 7:24-29

James 1:1-18

STIR UP DISCUSSION

How does this week's teaching affect me personally?

1. How can we differentiate between trials and temptations in our daily lives? Can you share a personal example where you faced a

trial and how it helped you grow in your faith?

2. James encourages us to seek wisdom when faced with challenges. In what practical ways can we seek God's wisdom in our decisions? What are some barriers that might prevent us from asking for or recognizing this wisdom?
3. James emphasizes that faith is only legitimate when expressed through actions. What are some tangible ways we can demonstrate our faith in our community, especially during times of trial or persecution?
4. Reflecting on James 1:2-4, what does it mean to consider it pure joy when facing trials? How can we cultivate a mindset of joy during difficult circumstances?
5. How does the idea of giving "firstfruits" apply to our lives today, beyond just financial giving? What practical steps can you take to ensure that God is given the first and best in all areas of your life?

STEP INTO ACTION

Let's try to apply this by taking some Next Steps.

When we face temptation we can be swayed by the waves ...

We can do it the foolish way. The selfish way. The world's way.

or

We can choose to live God's way. The wise way. The way we find in God's Word.