

WISDOM CONTENDS FOR THE FAITH

*Wisdom – Week 4
September 20, 2020*

KEY SCRIPTURES

- [Ephesians 5:15-17](#)
- [Jude](#)
- [Isaiah 55:8-9](#)
- [Romans 8:5-10](#)
- [Galatians 5:17](#)

KEY POINTS

- A 7th “C” regarding wisdom from God:
 - Contends for the faith
- The 6 wise practices from Jude for contending for the faith:
 - Keep watch for perversions of the true Gospel.
 - Remember the teachings and predictions of the Apostles.
 - Build up your faith.
 - Pray in the Spirit.
 - Keep in the love of God.
 - Have mercy on those who doubt and share your faith.
- There are no neutral relationships.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is the balance of the relationships in your life? Are there more people building you up and contending for the faith with you, or are you more surrounded by people who tear you down and sow seeds of division? Explain.
2. Are there perversions of the Gospel that you have bought into or struggle with? Explain.
3. What does it mean to pray in the Spirit? Practice praying in the Spirit together.
4. Are there areas of your life that are hidden in shadows away from God’s love? What will it take to move them into the light in order to keep in God’s love? Take some time to confess to one another.
5. Name one person in your life that needs the work of the Holy Spirit to open their heart to Jesus Christ. Spend time praying for them in the Spirit.