

Biblical Truth Ministries Wednesday 11 March 2026 James 37 “Selfish Ambition Is The Devil’s Workshop” James 3:13-18

The outside authority in the Royal Family of God is the spiritual gift of pastor-teacher and every Royal priest has his own designated pastor who communicates the Word of God to him. This process of communication and reception of the mind of Christ in a classroom like setting, is what facilitates an attitude of confidence in God and His experiential plan for our tactical victory. Our inside authority comes from biblical truth resident in our souls which is the only possible way reach our goal of growing up spiritually and becoming true disciples of Jesus Christ. A vitally important biblical principle and a sign of human maturity is our ability to recognize whatever genuine authority exists in life, coupled with our ability to respond to that authority with objectivity and not react to it with emotional subjectivity. James is indicating that, only a spiritually mature believer will be consistent in the use of his tongue which leads to an outer consistency that adds to his inner happiness in life. Ego which is driven by the lust pattern of the sinful nature shows us that the greatest hindrance to learning, believing and applying Scripture is the lust for self-promotion which is actually the source of legalism. Mental attitude sins reflect an inward negative reaction to God and His plan and they act as an outside barometer to warn that something detrimental is going on inside. Jealousy is always expressed in bitterness which always produces something else; selfish ambition_or divisive strife. Since a believer’s body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, he cannot be demon possessed but he certainly can be influenced by the doctrines of demons in 1Timothy 4:1, which infiltrate the soul of a rebellious believer and it’s a gradual process beginning with someone’s very first neglect of biblical truth from his indifference and negative reaction to Bible doctrine which produces nasty scar tissue on the soul. We can take in biblical truth and thereby, we are producing fruitful benefit for ourselves at the moment but also, we will benefit in the future and the benefits are not always obvious at the time of the teaching but eventually, they will come later.