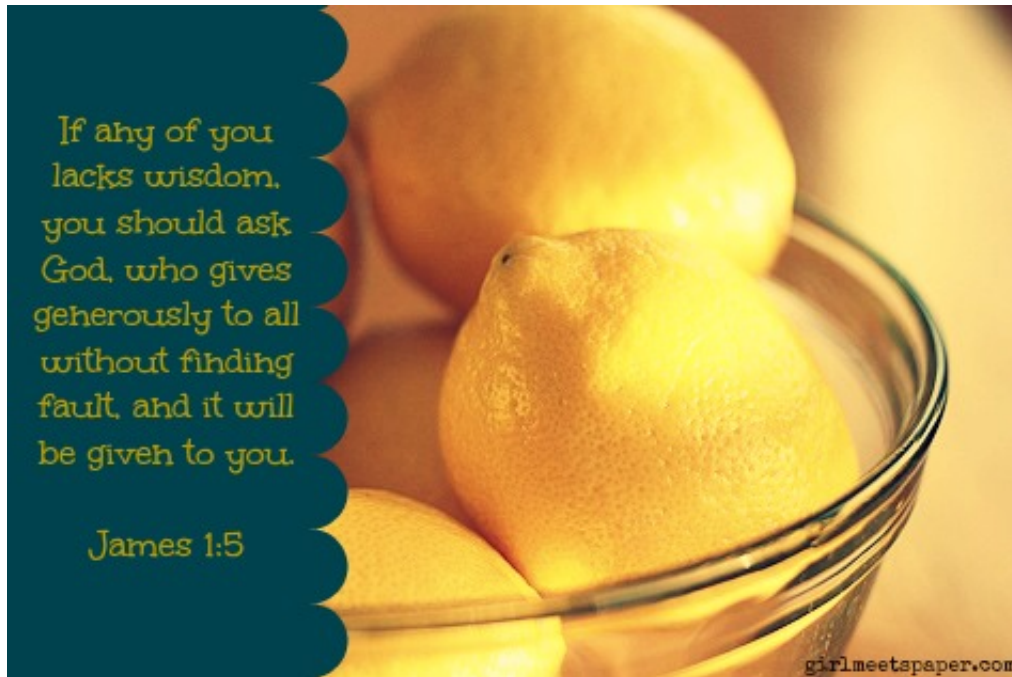


## Monday Morning Meditation: James 1:5

### *Lenten Series:*



With ink pen stilled and heart thumping loudly in my ears, I sat listening to the lecture with fresh conviction.

**"Do you hear what God is saying?"** my Bible teacher said with joy on her face. **"If *anyone lacks wisdom*, all we have to do is *ask*."**

**So next time you're struggling and don't know where to turn, 'James 1 - 5' it! If you're confused and need wisdom for your next steps, 'James 1-5 it!' -- and believe it will be given to you."**

I clicked my pen and stared at the notebook on my lap, sure my blushing cheeks would reveal that too often I didn't ask God for wisdom; sure that I would be found out for too-often depending on my own strength.

### **Do I go to the phone...or to the Throne?**

It's a weakness of mine. Prayer, that is. It's something that I'm working on day by day, but boy do I stumble a lot.

I stumble when I need wisdom, mostly because it's just so easy to toss a question out on social media or call a friend when really ***what I should be doing is taking my concerns to God.*** After all, as my teacher reminded,

Even though...

- ...it is so tempting to **skip the prayers** and head right to that familiar voice on the other end of the line
- ...we get an immediate response when we dial a number

**God says, "Come to me and I'll give you the wisdom you seek."**

## **What James 1:5 Can Teach Us This Lent**

As I shared with you last week, .

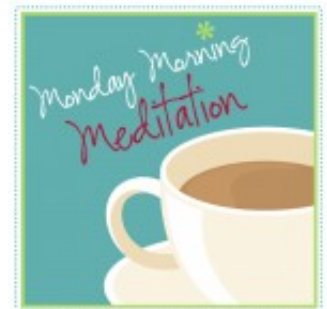
I'm finding that to do that, I need God's wisdom.

I need the clarity and understanding that can only come from him.

And so this Lent, I'm asking more. And waiting a little longer.

Believing that it will be given to me, just as He promised.

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**If you are joining us today and would like to participate in our link-up, we'd be honored to have your voice in the conversation! Simply:**

1. Write a post on your own blog that incorporates a story or your thoughts about this verse and its application in your own life. **-OR-**
2. Enlighten us with your theological take on the verse. **-OR-**
3. Post a photo that captures the essence of this verse.

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4. Leave a comment with the same if you don't have a blog to link up!

THEN...

Follow the linky button below to "link up"! **Once you've linked up you *must* visit the person ahead of you in the list! Let's be encouragers!**