

# A letter to the dispersed from James

**Lesson 15 - Men to Men Bible Study**

**Presented live on December 11, 2014**

**James 3:13-18**

**Two types of Wisdom**



**DISPENSING**



# CRITICISMS

# Progression of understanding

Theology chapters 1 and 2

Greetings

Trials

Partiality

Faith and works

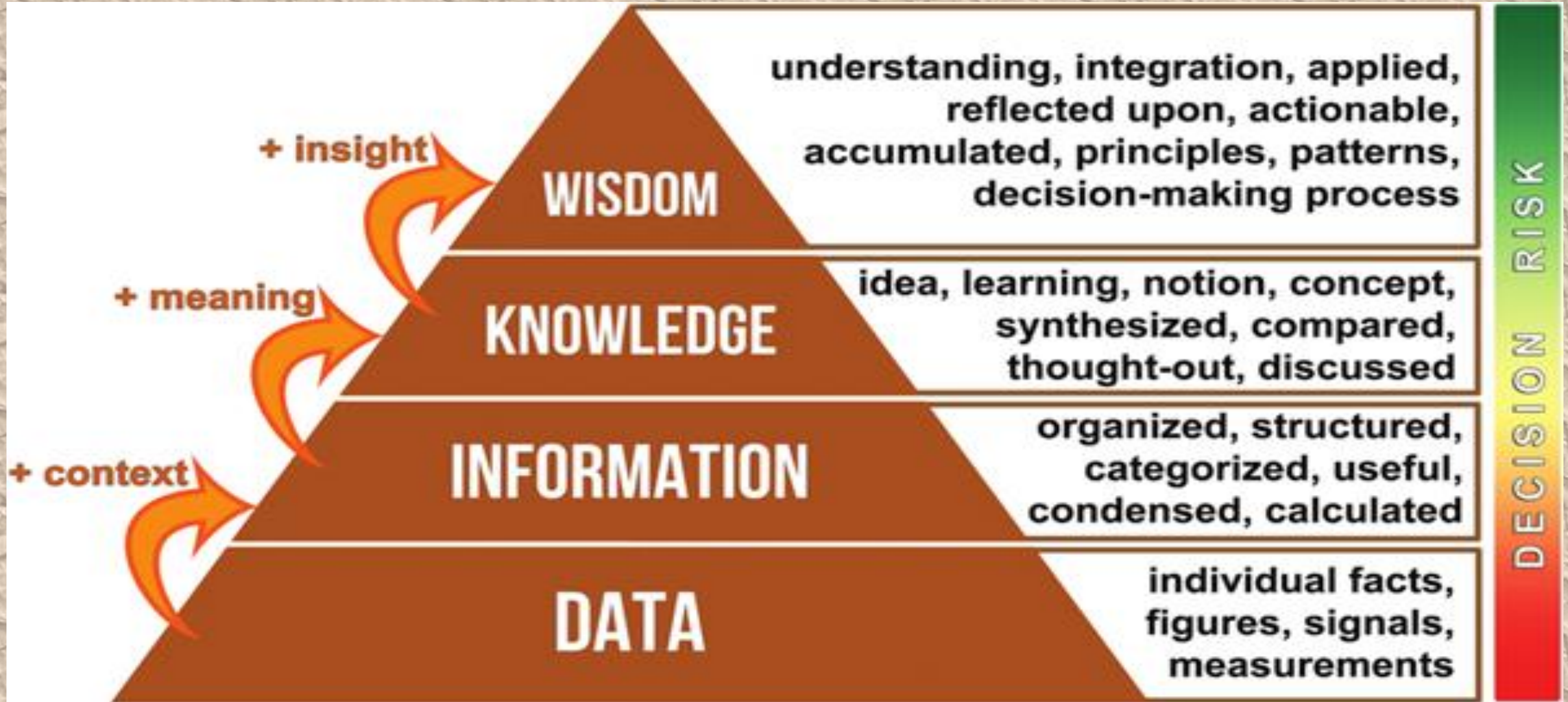
Theology based decisions 3, 4, 5



Which WISDOM  
is guiding you?



# DIKW



The Word of

**WISDOM**

The Word of

**KNOWLEDGE**



# Question

- **What is the difference between wisdom and knowledge?**
- **Knowledge**
  - **Definition**
  - **Characteristics**
  - **Examples**
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  - **Characteristics**
  - **Examples**

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**14 But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your heart, do not be arrogant and so lie against the truth.**

**15 This wisdom is not that which comes down from above, but is earthly, natural, demonic.**

**16 For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there is disorder and every evil thing.**

**17 But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, reasonable, full of mercy and good fruits, unwavering, without hypocrisy.**

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# Two types of Wisdom

Wisdom from above	Wisdom not from above
Pure	Earthly
Peaceable	Natural – unspiritual pertaining to the natural state: physical, unspiritual, without the Spirit
Gentle	Demonic - resembling or proceeding from an evil spirit, demon-like
Reasonable	Jealousy
Full of mercy and good fruits	Selfish ambition
Unwavering	Disorder
Without hypocrisy	Every evil thing

James 3:18

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# Commentary and paraphrase