**Questions for Sunday 18th February 2024**

**James 4:11-17**

Remember, James is writing to believers (Chpt.1:1)

1. James outlines two kinds of pride in this passage. What are they and how would you define them?
2. Why does James write so much about what comes out of our mouths? (see also Chapter 3:1-13; Luke 6:45)
3. James says we mustn’t judge one another? (vs. 11)
   1. Why?
   2. Does that mean we can’t consider what we and others say and do?
   3. Where does discernment become judgment?
4. What plans do you have in your life right now?
   1. According to James, is planning wrong? (vs. 13-17)
   2. What is the attitude we must adopt when thinking about the future?
   3. How many of the important decisions have I taken in my life without hearing from or consulting God?
   4. How can I hear from God in such matters?

**Application:**

1. From what God has taught you…
   1. Can you think of an instance where you can thank God that your speech has encouraged someone else recently?
   2. Think of an instance where you need forgiveness for judging (gossiping against) someone else?
   3. How are your plans aligned to God’s plans for your life? Are you actively seeking His plans or asking Him to bless yours?