Date: September 7th

Session One - Introduction (49:20)

James is one of the most practical books of the Bible. Like the book of Proverbs, it is a book of wisdom, a collection of teachings on issues faced by ordinary Christians in everyday life. These teachings speak loudly to all those who feel torn between the competing demands of this world and their faith. Developed by Jeff Cavins and Sarah Christmyer, this study offers "pearls for wise living" by applying the wisdom of James to the present. For anyone who has struggled to live a truly Christian life, James offers a wealth of practical solutions for handling and even sanctifying everyday circumstances.

Main Reading	(none)
Additional Bible Readings	(none)
Catechism Readings (CCC)	(none)

Date: September 21st

Session Two - Wisdom for Tough Times (55:35)

Life can be hard, which is why this session targets on wisdom for tough times. The use of passages in the first chapter of the letter of James helps you to triumph in all of life's difficulties like an anchor amidst the storms of life.

Main Reading	James 1:1-18
Additional Bible Readings	Proverbs 2:1-5; Wisdom 1:1-4; Matthew 4:1-11; 1 Corinthians 2:14, 10:13; 1 Peter 1:3-9
Catechism Readings (CCC)	1264

Date: September 28th

Session Three - Wisdom and Pure Religion (55:03)

God wants to come into your life, but he wants an invitation. In this session, you will see what must be done to respond to the incredible revelation of God so that great habits can be more fully developed.

Main Reading	James 1:19-27
Additional Bible Readings	Exodus 7:10; Proverbs 29:11, 22; Sirach 5:11-12; Matthew 21:28-32; Hebrews 12:1-3
Catechism Readings (CCC)	788, 2447

Date: October 5th

Session Four - Wisdom and the Law of Love (52:53)

Love shows no distinctions. And the truth is that true wisdom has no partiality. The message of the gospel, as emphasized in this session, is to look at every individual as an encounter with Jesus.

Main Reading	James 2:1-13
Additional Bible Readings	Matthew 22:37-40, 25:31-46; Luke 6:37-38; Galatians 3:26-28; Philippians 2:3-9
Catechism Readings (CCC)	786, 2448, 2840

Date: October 12th

Session Five - Faith Works with Wisdom (60:12)

Are you saved by faith or works? The Book of James contains the most frequented response to this very question. This session provides the explanation that faith is so much more than either faith or works, but a lifestyle that must be lived out every day.

Main Reading	James 2:14-26
Additional Bible Readings	Genesis 15:6, 22:1-18; Joshua 2, 6:17-25; Matthew 7:21; John 15:14; Philippians 2:12-13; Hebrews 11:31
Catechism Readings (CCC)	837, 1814-1815

Date: October 19th

Session Six - Wisdom Is Known Through Speech (59:30)

The tongue can be used as a blessing or a curse. For this reason, this session focuses on the importance of speech in daily conversation. The wisdom of words is outlined into three parts in order to measure the strength of speech..

Main Reading	James 3:1-12
Additional Bible Readings	Psalm 39:1; Proverbs 10:21, 12:18, 25:12, 31:26; Wisdom 1:11; Sirach 28:8-26; Galatians 5:22-24; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18; Philippians 2:11, 13; 4:8
Catechism Readings (CCC)	(none)

Date: October 26th

Session Seven - Wisdom: False and True (60:24)

This session begins by referring to a document from the Second Vatican Council, in an effort to explain that wisdom is ultimately found in a person, Jesus Christ. It is divided into three parts to portray the relationship between earthly and heavenly wisdom.

Main Reading	James 3:13-18
Additional Bible Readings	1 Corinthians 1:20-25, 3:10-15
Catechism Readings (CCC)	272

Date: November 2nd

Session Eight - Wisdom in Relationships (58:43)

Every relationship takes work. Listen to this session, which shows the wisdom Christ wants to offer you in the fourth chapter of the epistle of James. There are deep insights throughout this lesson to help you deal with the guarrels of every day.

Main Reading	James 4:1-10
Additional Bible Readings	Psalm 24:3-4; Matthew 6:31-33, 21:22; John 15:7-8; Philippians 4:6; 1 John 3:22, 5:14-15
Catechism Readings (CCC)	2536, 1996

Date: November 9th

Session Nine - A Wise Perspective for Living (55:56)

Life is worth living. Nothing is more sad than seeing a human being who is not living life to the fullest. Three major issues in this session help to confront the importance of living life fully, and the importance of including God in your daily life rather than just in the faith you profess.

Main Reading	James 4:11-5:6
Additional Bible Readings	Matthew 7:1-2, 25:34-36
Catechism Readings (CCC)	679, 681- 682, 1039, 1861, 2477, 2479

Date: November 16th

Session Ten - The Wisdom of Patience (54:25)

Patience takes time to grow and even develop in life. When it comes to patience, there is wisdom to be learned for this important virtue. You will hear about stories and examples throughout this session to describe the wisdom in patience.

Main Reading	James 5:7-12
Additional Bible Readings	Job 42:10-17; Isaiah 50:4-10; Galatians 6:9; Revelation 7:14-17
Catechism Readings (CCC)	1808, 2155

Date: November 30th

Session Eleven - The Wisdom of Confession and Prayer (61:49)

In this final lesson, Jeff Cavins looks at two important sacraments in the Church. In every trial and difficulty, Christ gives gifts to be found in the life of the Church. In his wisdom, God does not leave you alone but gives you the string to connect all the pearls for wise living.

Main Reading	James 5:13-20
Additional Bible Readings	1 Kings 17:1, 18:41-46; Philippians 4:6-7
Catechism Readings (CCC)	1422, 1505, 1508, 1520-1523