

JOURNEY THROUGH JAMES, Sermon # 14

“Teachers Beware!”

Text: James 3:1-2

I. THE PRIDE OF _____ (v. 1a)

- The writer exposes the _____ of responsibility inherent in church leadership.
- Some of the Jewish believers were becoming _____ about their advanced knowledge of Scripture and their stature as a communicator.
- Although every believer stands equal before God, not all Christians are _____ qualified for teaching and leadership positions.

II. THE PRECAUTION OF _____ (v. 1b)

- There will be degrees of _____ when we stand before the Lord someday.
- Leaders must also answer for their _____ and the people they served!
- *“Is more expected of lay leaders in the church than other lay people?” Absolutely _____!*

III. THE PROBABILITY OF _____ (v. 2)

- We will stumble in our attempt to be the _____ that God wants us to be.
- Along with the heavy responsibility that is ours to be *mature spiritual leaders*, there is provision for our _____ *moments*!
- Leaders are “_____”—not “born.”