## Victory Connect Lesson Navigating Life's Decisions Pastor Paul Daugherty May 18, 2025

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Jas 3:16 KJV For where envying and strife [is], there [is] confusion and every evil work.

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