



FRIENDS WITH GOD OR WITH THE WORLD?

JAMES 4:4-6

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James 3:16-4:6

INTRODUCTION: *The pastor had a problem...*

I. JAMES’ CHURCH: THE NATURE OF THE PROBLEM

- A. *Envy & strife, friendship with the world* (3:16; 4:1,4)
- B. *Jeremiah & Mark say the same* (11:18; 8:30)

II. JAMES’ CHURCH: THE **ORIGIN** OF THE PROBLEM

- A. *The devil* (3:15)
- B. *The sinful flesh* (4:1)
- C. *The world* (4:4)

III. JAMES’ CHURCH: THE **OUTCOME** OF THE PROBLEM

- A. *Disorder and every evil practice* (3:16)
- B. *Unfulfilled desires and frustrations* (4:2)
- C. *Prayer is corrupted* (4:3)
- D. *Spiritual adultery divorces us from God* (4:4)

IV. JAMES’ CHURCH & OURS: THE PROBLEM’S **SOLUTION**

- A. *He (God) gives more grace* [**It’s His nature-** 4:6; 3:17; Titus 2:11]
- B. *He gives more grace* [**It’s His purpose-** 4:6; 2 Cor. 8:9; Romans 3:24; Eph. 2:8; etc., etc., etc.!!!]
- C. *He gives more grace* [**Result** - peace with God: 4:6; 4:4]
- D. *He gives more grace* [**Result** - peace with others: 4:6; 3:18]

CONCLUSION: *A Kentucky feud healed by God’s grace...*