

James Part 11 Hold Your Mind

Matthew 15:10 After Jesus called the crowd to Him, He said to them, "Hear and understand. **11** It is not what enters into the mouth that defiles the man, but what proceeds out of the mouth, this defiles the man."

James 4:1 What is the source of quarrels and conflicts among you? Is not the source YOUR pleasures that wage war in YOUR members?

2 YOU lust and do not have; so **YOU** commit murder. **YOU** are envious and cannot obtain; so **YOU** fight and quarrel. **YOU** do not have because **YOU** do not ask. **3 YOU** ask and do not receive, because **YOU** ask with wrong motives, so that **YOU** may spend it on **YOUR** pleasures.

James 1:5-8. 5 But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ASK of God, who gives to all generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him. **6** But he must ask in faith without any doubting, for the one who doubts is like the surf of the sea, driven and tossed by the wind. **7** For that man ought not to expect that he will receive anything from the Lord, **8** being a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

James 1:15-17. 15 Then when lust has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and when sin is accomplished, it brings forth death. **16** Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren. **17** Every good thing given and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shifting shadow.

James 4:4 You adulteresses, do you not know that friendship with the world is hostility toward God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God do you not know that friendship with the world is hostility toward God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.

Jeremiah 3:6-10. 6 Then the Lord said to me in the days of Josiah the king, "Have you seen what faithless Israel did? She went up on every high hill and under every green tree, and she was a harlot there. **7** I thought, 'After she has done all these things she will return to Me'; but she did not return, and her treacherous sister Judah saw it. **8** And I saw that for all **the adulteries of faithless Israel**, I had sent her away and given her a writ of divorce, yet her treacherous sister Judah did not fear; but she went and was a harlot also. **9** Because of the lightness of her harlotry, she polluted the land and **committed adultery** with stones and trees. **10** Yet in spite of all this her treacherous sister Judah did not return to Me with all her heart, but rather in deception," declares the Lord.

Ezekiel 23:37 For they have committed adultery, and blood is on their hands. Thus they **have committed adultery with their idols** and even caused their sons, whom they bore to Me, to pass through the fire to them as food.

James 4:5 Or do you think that the Scripture **speaks to no purpose**: "He jealously desires the Spirit (*breath*) which He has made to dwell in us"?

James 4:6 But He gives a greater grace. Therefore it says, "God is opposed to the proud, but gives grace to the humble." **7** Submit therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. **8** Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

1. First thing we see is He gives a greater grace to the humble
2. Second quality is submission to God, which of course takes humility
3. Thirdly we have to bear in mind, that wrapped up in humility is obedience.
4. We are to resist the devil, which is the result of us doing these things here in the context.
5. Draw near to God, these qualities would have to be evident in our lives in order to achieve this.
6. "Cleanse your hands",
7. Last but not least "purify your hearts", how do we do that? We have to submit to God in humility, via Our Lord.

Hebrews 4:1 - 5:1 Therefore, let us FEAR if, while a promise remains of entering His rest, any one of you may seem to have come short of it. **2** For indeed we have had good news preached to us, just as they also; but the word they heard did not profit them, because it was not united by faith in those who heard. **3** For we who have believed enter that rest, just as He has said, "As I swore in My wrath, They shall not enter My rest," although His works were finished from the foundation of the world. **4** For He has said somewhere concerning the seventh day: "And God rested on the seventh day from all His works"; **5** and again in this passage, "They shall not enter My rest." **6** Therefore, since it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly had good news preached to them failed to enter because of disobedience, **7** He again fixes a certain day, "Today," saying through David after so long a time just as has been said before, "Today if you hear His voice, Do not harden your hearts." **8** For if Joshua had given them rest, He would not have spoken of another day after that. **9** So there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God. **10** For the one who has entered His rest has himself also rested from **HIS** works, as God did from His.

11 Therefore let us be diligent to enter that rest, so that no one will fall, through following the same example of disobedience. **12** For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. **13** And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are open and laid bare to the eyes of Him with whom we have to do. **14 Therefore,** since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. **15** For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin. **16** Therefore **let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace,** so that we **MAY** receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

CHAPTER 5:1 For every high priest taken from among men is appointed on behalf of men in things pertaining to God, in order to offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins;

James 4:9 Be miserable and mourn and weep; let your laughter be turned into mourning and your joy to gloom. **10** Humble yourselves in the presence of the Lord, and He will exalt you. **11** Do not speak against one another, brethren. He who speaks against a brother or judges his brother, speaks against the law and judges the law; but if you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law but a judge of it. **12** There is only one Lawgiver and Judge, the One who is able to save and to destroy; but who are you who judge your neighbor? **13** Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go to such and such a city, and spend a year there and engage in business and make a profit." **14** Yet you do not know what your life will be like tomorrow. You are just a vapor that appears for a little while and then vanishes away. **15** Instead, you ought to say, "If the Lord wills, we will live and also do this or that." **16** But as it is (*the adulteresses*), you boast in your arrogance; all such boasting is evil. **17** Therefore, to one who knows the right thing to DO and does not DO it, to him it is sin.