

Series: "TALK IS CHEAP"
Part 7: "WARDING OFF WORLDLINESS"
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The Problem:

➤ _____ the world results in _____ towards God

¹What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don't they come from your desires that battle within you? ²You want something but don't get it. You kill and covet, but you cannot have what you want. You quarrel and fight.

James 4:1-2a (NIV)

You do not have, because you do not ask God. ³When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures.

James 4:2b-3 (NIV)

The Source of Worldliness:

➤ **Our** _____ **vs. God's** _____

⁴You adulterous people, don't you know that friendship with the world is hatred toward God?

James 4:4a (NIV)

The Significance of Worldliness:

➤ _____ with the world = spiritual _____

Anyone who chooses to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God.

James 4:4b (NIV)

⁵Or do you think Scripture says without reason that the spirit he caused to live in us envies intensely?

James 4:5 (NIV)

⁶But he gives us more grace. That is why Scripture says: "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."

James 4:6 (NIV)

^{7a}Submit yourselves, then, to God.

James 4:7a (NIV)

The Solution to Worldliness:

1. **Make a** _____

^{7b}Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

2. James 4:7b (NIV)

2. **Make a** _____

⁸Come near to God and he will come near to you.

James 4:8a (NIV)

3. **Be** _____

¹⁰Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.

James 4:10 (NIV)

4. **Be** _____

¹²There is a way that seems right to a man, but in the end, it leads to death.

Proverbs 14:12 (NIV)

Sermon Notes:
