

James Season2: A Faith That Walks – Anchored Affections chp4:1-10

1. Anchored Affections (vs.1-5)

- A. Loving the World reveals people as enemies of _____
1. Friendship with the world system, ways, desires; **Gk.** word is an intense, deep affection
**Not* I deeply love God, and battle w/ temptations of world, and fail at times, but lifestyle
 2. Why is this so? *1Jn2:15-16; Matt6:21,24; 1Tim6:9-11*
*A divided heart is a _____ ... adulteresses – think spouse having affair, how God sees
*The friend of the world worships _____, not God...all is about me, my ambitions, pursuits, now, we choose our own gender...*Ja4:1-3; Ja3:14-16*
*conflict, fights, strife _____, greed result in murder/hate, *not* love, reconcile
*Christian counseling, “protect my peace” is that of world or God? *Is26:3-4; Is40:31
**Our peace comes from?* _____
 3. The result? _____ *Ja4:4; Jn3:19; Coll:21; Eph2:1-3*
- B. Loving God makes us enemies of the _____: *Matt10:22,34-39...consider Jesus and the Cross*
1. What does it mean to love God? *Matt13:44-46*
 2. Why is this so? A look inside the heart of the Apostle Paul; *Phil3:7-11*
*All my gains, successes, ambitions have become loss in view of _____!
*Compared to knowing Christ, everything is as _____
*I want to know Him, fellowship/commune, even when it means _____ (vs.11)
**Mark3:13-14; John12:24-26*
 3. What is the result? *Coll:13-14; Jn3:19-21... 2 kingdoms; Light is at war with darkness!*
- C. Where are your affections anchored? What does your heart treasure? Have you drifted from Christ?
**Heb2:1; 2Cor11:3*

2. God's Call of Love (vs.6-10)

- A. The Warning (vs.6) God opposes the _____; no claim to God's grace; God is against that person
1. Opposed: Gk. a military term, a full army ready for battle
 2. Proud: the one who lifts self above others, self-ambition, self-pursuits = self-worship
- B. The Point of the passage: come back, turn to Christ who died for you; paid your pardon!
- C. The Call of Love to the lost and the saved– God gives a greater _____; grace to the humble
1. The promise from Jesus! *Matt23:12 – to whoever, no matter how bad before!!!*
 2. *Is66:2* and true contrition (def in old Webster dictionary); this one God will give grace
 3. The pattern of contrition...vs.7-9
* _____ to God, His Word, His will, His plan – even in trials
* _____ the devil – the ways, thinking of the world, temptations of enemy; Eph6:10-12
* _____ to God; He WILL draw near to you! This is work! **Jer29:13*
* _____: cleanse your hands = your deeds; purify your hearts = your thoughts – *2Cor7:1*
*Don't just confess your sins, _____ them – repent! Brokenness over sin! *vs.9

*Grace, grace, God's grace, grace that will pardon and cleanse within; grace, grace, God's grace, GRACE that is greater than all our sin!