

A man in a light-colored shirt and dark pants stands in a field of yellow wildflowers, his arms outstretched towards a bright, hazy sky. The scene is bathed in warm, golden light, suggesting sunrise or sunset. The man is positioned on the left side of the frame, looking towards the right.

FAITH THAT SURRENDERS

JAMES 4:1-17

- James 4 is a Call to Radical Surrender.

James 4:1

“Where do wars and fights come from among you? Do they not come from your desires for pleasure that war in your members?”

- They were acting like the world around them, manipulating and quarreling to get what they wanted.

James 4:2

“You lust and do not have. You murder and covet and cannot obtain. You fight and war. Yet you do not have because you do not ask.”

- The moment you acknowledge that "War Within", you can Stop Fighting it and Hand it to God

James 4:4-6

“Adulterers and adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. Or do you think that the Scripture says in vain, “The Spirit who dwells in us yearns jealously”? But He gives more grace. Therefore, He says: “God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble.”

- Spiritual Adultery = Breaking Your Covenant with God to Flirt With The World.

James 4:5

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- God is Jealous for your Full Heart

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James 4:7-10

“Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded. Lament and mourn and weep! Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up.”

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2 Corinthians 5:17

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new,"

James 4:7-8

“Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Come near to God, and he will come near to you.”

A Three-Step Strategy for Overcoming the Enemy

(James 4:7-8)

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- Speak the Word Out Loud Step

3. The Worship Step (v.8)

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"Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you."

- When Temptation Hits, Don't Just Run From the Sin, Run to God

3 Things To Remember

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1. Stop Living the “Double Life.” (vv.11-17)

James 4:11-17

Do not speak evil of one another, brethren. He who speaks evil of a brother and judges his brother, speaks evil of the law and judges the law. But if you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law but a judge. There is one Lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy. Who are you to judge another? Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go to such and such a city, spend a year there, buy and sell,

James 4:11-17

and make a profit”; whereas you do not know what will happen tomorrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away. Instead you ought to say, “If the Lord wills, we shall live and do this or that.” But now you boast in your arrogance. All such boasting is evil. Therefore, to him who knows to do good and does not do it, to him it is sin.”

2. Stop Judging. (James 3)

3. Stop Planning Without God

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- Not Just a Religious Phrase. It is a Posture of the Heart

James 4 ...

... A Call to End the Double Life.

James 4 ...

... A Call to Move From "Friendship With the World"
to "Friendship with God."

James 4 ...

... The Result = Living the Overcoming Life and
Learning How To Let God Fight Your Battles.