



But He Gives More Grace...

James 4:6-10 – October 26, 2025

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[1] What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? [2] You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet 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 wrongly, to spend it on your passions. [4] You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. [5] Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, “He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us”? [6] **But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, “God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.”** [7] Submit yourselves 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. [9] Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. [10] Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you. (ESV)

Matthew 6:24

“No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money. (ESV)

Deuteronomy 6:14–15

You shall not go after other gods, the gods of the peoples who are around you—[15] for the LORD your God in your midst is a jealous God—lest the anger of the LORD your God be kindled against you, and he destroy you from off the face of the earth. (ESV)

Joel 2:18

Then the LORD became jealous for his land and had pity on his people. (ESV)

Isaiah 42:8

I am the LORD; that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to carved idols. (ESV)

Zechariah 9:13

...**I will** stir up your sons, O Zion,

Zechariah 10:6

“**I will** strengthen the house of Judah, and **I will** save the house of Joseph. **I will** bring them back because I have compassion on them, and they shall be as though I had not rejected them, for I am the LORD their God and **I will** answer them. (ESV)

Introduction: He wants us all! (5)

50/50 Christianity is spiritual adultery.

1. Spiritual adultery: “I believe in Jesus, but He leaves me wanting, so give me a little world.” (1-4)

2. The jealousy of Christ: for His Bride and for His glory. (5)

3. Christ’s initiates grace to the wandering heart: He gives more grace. (6-10)

Grace to submit.

Grace to resist the devil.

Grace to draw near.

Grace to cleanse and purify.

Grace to mourn and weep for our sin.

Grace to humble.

--- Revelation Demands Response ---

4. He gives grace, we give grace, and He gives more grace!

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Grace to let go and grace to receive!

Application questions on the back →

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For the following application questions, review your notes from the front.

SUNDAY after church...

Think through the morning and: 1) List and praise the Lord for specific encouragement you were able to give. 2) List and praise the Lord for specific encouragement you received. 3) List songs that touched your heart.

MONDAY – READ & PRAY: Find a good Bible reading plan, a good time, and a good place to commune with God. **WATCH:** How has the Lord shown you Himself and His work? **DISCUSS:** What causes the anger of man to rise in your heart? Do you feel an unhealthy undercurrent of anger in your life – even if low-grade? What is the root cause?

TUESDAY – READ & PRAY: Find a good Bible reading plan, a good time, and a good place to commune with God. **WATCH:** How has the Lord shown you Himself and His work? **DISCUSS:** What can you tell about your heart by the condition of your prayer life? Do you suffer from prayerlessness? What is the general tone of your prayer life? Do you doubt the generous heart of God? How do you know if your requests are to be spent on your flesh? What is the balance of confession and praise and thanksgiving?

WEDNESDAY – READ & PRAY: Find a good Bible reading plan, a good time, and a good place to commune with God. **WATCH:** How has the Lord shown you Himself and His work? **DISCUSS:** Are you completely satisfied in Jesus? If He took away something that was precious to you, would you still be satisfied in Him? How does our satisfaction in Jesus glorify Him?

THURSDAY – READ & PRAY: Find a good Bible reading plan, a good time, and a good place to commune with God. **WATCH:** How has the Lord shown you Himself and His work? **DISCUSS:** How does grace heal the double-minded? How have you grown in knowing the “immeasurable riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus”? Does your heart feel “light” in Jesus?

FRIDAY – READ & PRAY: Find a good Bible reading plan, a good time, and a good place to commune with God. **WATCH:** How has the Lord shown you Himself and His work? **DISCUSS:** What is an area of your heart that has been holding on to something of the world? What is something you are trusting in other than the Lord Jesus? How can you tell? How can you show grace to someone in your life that has wandered? ***Do it and share!***

SATURDAY – READ & PRAY: Find a good Bible reading plan, a good time, and a good place to commune with God. **WATCH:** How has the Lord shown you Himself and His work? **DISCUSS & BUILD:** How can you enter into the work of building up the Body of Christ tomorrow?

Let us join the work of Christ in bringing His Light to the world!
Our purpose is ***to know...follow...and love Christ!***

