

JAMES 4:1-5

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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 1:17-18

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. ¹⁸ In the exercise of His will **He brought us forth by the word of truth**, so that we would be a kind of first fruits among His creatures.

James 3:13-18

¹³ Who among you is **wise and understanding**? Let him show by his good behavior his deeds in the gentleness of wisdom.

¹⁴ But **if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your heart**, do not be arrogant and so **lie against the truth**.

¹⁵ **This wisdom is not that which comes down from above**, but is **earthly, natural, demonic**.

¹⁶ For where **jealousy** and **selfish ambition** exist, there is **disorder** and every evil thing.

¹⁷ But **the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, reasonable, full of mercy and good fruits, unwavering, without hypocrisy**. ¹⁸ And **the seed whose fruit is righteousness** is **sown in peace by those who make peace**.

James 4:1-5

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**.

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**.

⁵ Or do you think that the Scripture speaks to no purpose:

"He jealously desires the Spirit which He has made to dwell in us"?

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