

# LIVING WHAT WE CLAIM WE BELIEVE

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## Part 7: How to End Wars



*James 4:1-12 "Where do wars and fights come from among you? Do they not come from your desires for pleasure that war in your members? <sup>2</sup>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. <sup>3</sup>You ask and do not receive, because you ask amiss, that you may spend it on your pleasures. <sup>4</sup>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. <sup>5</sup>Or do you think that the Scripture says in vain, "The Spirit who dwells in us yearns jealously"? <sup>6</sup>But He gives more grace.*

*Therefore He says: "GOD RESISTS THE PROUD, BUT GIVES GRACE TO THE HUMBLE..."*

### Wars (in the World) ... and Peace (with God):

1. **War With** \_\_\_\_\_ (James 4:1)
2. **War Within** \_\_\_\_\_ (James 4:1-3, Romans 7:23)  
Self-centredness, leads to:
  - A. Wrong \_\_\_\_\_ (vs 2)
  - B. Wrong \_\_\_\_\_ (vs 3)
3. **War With** \_\_\_\_\_ (James 4:4-10)  
How do we declare war with God?
  - A. Being friends with \_\_\_\_\_ (vs 4)
  - B. Yielding to \_\_\_\_\_ (vs 5)
  - C. Siding with \_\_\_\_\_ (vs 6)
4. **How to** \_\_\_\_\_ **with God** (James 4:7-10)
  1. \_\_\_\_\_ to God (vs 7)
  2. \_\_\_\_\_ the Devil (vs 7)
  3. \_\_\_\_\_ to God (vs 8)
  4. \_\_\_\_\_ in the Sight of God (vs 9-10)
  5. Refuse to \_\_\_\_\_ (vs 11)

*..." <sup>7</sup>Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. <sup>8</sup>Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded. <sup>9</sup>Lament and mourn and weep! Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. <sup>10</sup>Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up.*

*<sup>11</sup>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. <sup>12</sup>There is one Lawgiver... Who are you to judge another?"*