

Discussion Guide Questions

James 4:1-10

2/28/21 sermon

Open (something fun/engaging to get everyone sharing)

- What celebrity boxing match would you pay to see – who would be fighting who?
- What sort of quarrels do you get tempted into?



Observation (What do we learn from this passage?)

- What does James say about our passions and desires in verses 1-2?
- What do we learn about right prayer from verses 2 and 3?
- How would you describe God's heart toward you?
- What does friendship with this world look like? How would you recognize it in yourself?
- Where are all the places that humility shows up in this passage, whether directly or indirectly?

Application (How are we to live in light of this passage?)

- Are you tuned in to the war within you? When do you recognize it and how do you address it?
- How might your individual prayer life be affected by verses 2-3?
- What strategies of resisting the devil have you learned along the way that you would be willing to share?
- What practices in your life help you to draw near to God?
- What would an appropriate posture of weeping and mourning look like in your life?

(Kneel in) Prayer – (What can we ask our Father, giver of good gifts?)

- Let's pray for peace-makers in our Edgewood family.
- Let's pray for wisdom in avoiding the subtle call of friendship with the world.

- Let's pray that humility would characterize our conversations and friendships.