

# James 4:3-5

## Spiritual Adultery

### 1. The Impotent Pursuit of \_\_\_\_\_ : (2c-3)

- a. You pursue what you desire without \_\_\_\_\_: *–Matt 7:8-9*
  - i. Because you are too busy \_\_\_\_\_ with others. *–Jam 4:1-2*
  - ii. Because you walk in \_\_\_\_\_:
    - 1. Which \_\_\_\_\_ for what it desires. *–Jam 3:16; 4:2*
    - 2. Which \_\_\_\_\_ for what it covets. *–Jam 3:16; 4:2*
- b. Or, you ask \_\_\_\_\_:
  - i. Your prayers are \_\_\_\_\_. *–Jam 1:5-8, 16-18*
    - 1. God is \_\_\_\_\_ and only gives \_\_\_\_\_ gifts. *–Jam 1:5, 16-18*
    - 2. The \_\_\_\_\_ should not expect to receive. *–Ezek 14:1-7*
  - ii. You are really a worshiper of your \_\_\_\_\_:
    - 1. Either a desire for something \_\_\_\_\_. *–Jam 4:10-12*
    - 2. Or a desire for something \_\_\_\_\_ valued too \_\_\_\_\_. *–Gen 30:1*

### 2. The Deadly Danger of Spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ : (4-5)

- a. Such pursuit of pleasure is really adultery against \_\_\_\_\_:
  - i. Israel broke her \_\_\_\_\_ with the LORD. *–Jer 3:6-11; Ezek 16*
  - ii. Christians break their \_\_\_\_\_ with Christ. *–2 Cor 11:1-3*
- b. Friendship with the world is enmity with God:
  - i. Therefore whoever \_\_\_\_\_ to be a friend of the world...
    - 1. By loving its \_\_\_\_\_. *–James 2:1-12; 1 John 2:15-17*
    - 2. By adopting its \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. *–Matt 6:31-34*
  - ii. ...Makes himself God's \_\_\_\_\_:
    - 1. Because you cannot \_\_\_\_\_ two masters. *–Matt 6:24*
    - 2. Because worldliness is the \_\_\_\_\_. *–Rom 5:1*
- c. Because our God is very \_\_\_\_\_ for us:
  - i. The \_\_\_\_\_ testifies to this. *–Ex 20:5; 34:14; Deut 6:14-15*
  - ii. He \_\_\_\_\_ us, and yearns for our \_\_\_\_\_. *–Eph 5:25-26*

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You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. <sup>4</sup>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. <sup>5</sup>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”?.