



Sermon Notes – Bob Hawker – 01/28/2024

James 4:1-4 NLT

What is causing the quarrels and fights among you? Don't they come from the evil desires at war within you? You want what you don't have, so you scheme and kill to get it. You are jealous of what others have, but you can't get it, so you fight and wage war to take it away from them. Yet you don't have what you want because you don't ask God for it. And even when you ask, you don't get it because your motives are all wrong—you want only what will give you pleasure. You adulterers! Don't you realize that friendship with the world makes you an enemy of God?

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Proverbs 14:12 NLT

There is a path before each person that seems right, but it ends in death.

James 4:4 NLT

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All sin is a sin against love.

Dallas Williard

“The greatest issue facing the world today, with all its heart-breaking needs, is whether those who... are identified as ‘Christians’ will become disciples - students, apprentices, practitioners - of Jesus Christ, steadily learning from him how to live the life of the Kingdom of the Heavens into every corner of human existence.”

James 4:7-10 NLT

So humble yourselves before God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Come close to God, and God will come close to you. Wash your hands, you sinners; purify your hearts, for your loyalty is divided between God and the world. Let there be tears for what you have done. Let there be sorrow and deep grief. Let there be sadness instead of laughter, and gloom instead of joy. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up in honor.

Humble yourselves.

Meekness refers to the treatment of others.

Recognize the enemy's desire for you to live in the flesh and resist him.

Matthew 4:10-11 NLT

“Get out of here, Satan,” Jesus told him. “For the Scriptures say, ‘You must worship the Lord your God and serve only him.’” Then the devil went away...

Do the hard work of Discipleship.

Matthew 11:29 NLT

Take my yoke upon you. Let me teach you, because I am humble and gentle at heart, and you will find rest for your souls...

Be Forgiven, Repent and Forgive.