

James 4:4-6

• ⁴ You adulterous people, don't you know that friendship with the world means enmity against God? Therefore, anyone who chooses to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God. ⁵ Or do you think Scripture says without reason that he jealously longs for the spirit he has caused to dwell in us?

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- ⁶ But he gives us more grace. That is why Scripture says:
- "God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble."

• Friendship With The World Is A Problem

Jeremiah 3:6

⁶ During the reign of King Josiah, the LORD said to me, "Have you seen what faithless Israel has done? She has gone up on every high hill and under every spreading tree and has committed adultery there..."

Jeremiah 2:25

Do not run until your feet are bare and your throat is dry. But you said,

"It's no use! I love foreign gods, and I must go after them."

Hosea 1:2

² When the LORD began to speak through Hosea, the LORD said to him,

"Go, marry a promiscuous woman and have children with her, for like an adulterous wife this land is guilty of unfaithfulness to the LORD."

1 Peter 2:9

⁹ But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

1 Corinthians 3:3

³ You are still worldly. For since there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not worldly? Are you not acting like mere humans?

- Friendship With The World Is A Problem
- God Doesn't Accept Half Way Measures

Exodus 20:5

⁵ You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me...

Deuteronomy 6:5

⁵ Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.

Application

- Realize The Urgency Of The Issue
- Return To Your First Love
- Don't despair

Revelation 2:2-4

²I know your deeds, your hard work and your perseverance. I know that you cannot tolerate wicked people, that you have tested those who claim to be apostles but are not, and have found them false. ³ You have persevered and have endured hardships for my name, and have not grown weary. ⁴ Yet I hold this against you: You have forsaken the love you had at first.

