

Jas 4:1 What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you?

Jas 1:25 But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing.

*Jas 4:2 You desire and do not have,
so you murder. You covet and cannot
obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You
do not have, because you do not ask.*

God wants us to pray for our needs
Ja 5:16 ... The prayer of a righteous
person has great power as it is
working.

*Jas 4:3 You ask and do not receive,
because you ask wrongly, to spend it
on your passions.*

For what do you ask when you pray?

Not personal gain.

Jas 4:4 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.

Adultery is the breaking of a pledge.
It includes the physical act of immorality between someone married and another to whom they are not married – breaking the marriage vow.

Mt 5:28 - lusting (a strong desire) after a woman is
adultery

Mat 5:28 But I say to you that everyone who looks
at a woman with lustful intent has already
committed adultery with her in his heart.

Jn 8:4 - sexual intercourse outside of marriage is
adultery

Joh 8:4 they said to him, "Teacher, this woman has
been caught in the act of adultery.

Mt 5:32; 19:9 Divorce without cause is adultery

Mat 5:32 But I say to you that everyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of sexual immorality, makes her commit adultery, and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

Mat 19:9 And I say to you: whoever divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, and marries another, commits adultery."

1Th 4:3 For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you abstain from sexual immorality; (4) that each one of you know how to control his own body in holiness and honor, sexual intercourse outside of marriage is adultery adultery used interchangeably with immorality

“that each one of you” indicates either none of Thessalonians were married or immorality includes adultery.

Ezek 16:17 Idolatry is adultery (harlotry or immorality)

Eze 16:16-17 "You took some of your clothes, made for yourself high places of various colors and played the harlot on them, which should never come about nor happen. (17) "You also took your beautiful jewels *made* of My gold and of My silver, which I had given you, and made for yourself male images that you might play the harlot with them

v. 4 Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.

We are not to love the world 1Jn 2:15-16 Do not love the world nor the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. (16) For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the boastful pride of life, is not from the Father, but is from the world.

Jas 4:5 Or do you think that the Scripture speaks to no purpose: "He jealously desires the Spirit which He has made to dwell in us"?

Spirit given in baptism

Act 2:38 Peter said to them, "Repent, and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Rom 5:5 and hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out within our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

Eph 1:13 In Him, you also, after listening to the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation-- having also believed, you were sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of promise, (14) who is given as a pledge of our inheritance, with a view to the redemption of *God's own* possession, to the praise of His glory.

*Jas 4:6-7 But he gives more grace.
Therefore it says, "God opposes the
proud, but gives grace to the humble."
(7) Submit yourselves therefore to God.
Resist the devil, and he will flee from
you.*

1Pe 4:2 so as to live for the rest of the
time in the flesh no longer for human
passions but for the will of God.

Jas 4:8 Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

Mat 15:19 For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, slander.

Jas 4:9 Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. 10 Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

Mat 5:4 "Blessed are those who mourn,
for they shall be comforted.

If they mourn for sin!

Jas 4:11 Do not speak evil against one another, brothers. The one who speaks against a brother or judges his brother, speaks evil against the law and judges the law. But if you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law but a judge.

Mat 7:1 "Judge not, that you be not judged. 2 For with the judgment you pronounce you will be judged, and with the measure you use it will be measured to you.

Joh 7:24 Do not judge by appearances, but judge with right judgment."

Joh 12:48 The one who rejects me and does not receive my words has a judge; the word that I have spoken will judge him on the last day.

Jas 4:12 There is only one lawgiver and judge, he who is able to save and to destroy. But who are you to judge your neighbor?

Rom 14:3-4 Let not the one who eats despise the one who abstains, and let not the one who abstains pass judgment on the one who eats, for God has welcomed him. (4) Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make him stand.

Rom 14:13 Therefore let us not pass judgment on one another any longer, but rather decide never to put a stumbling block or hindrance in the way of a brother.

Jas 4:13-14 Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go into such and such a town and spend a year there and trade and make a profit"— (14) yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes.

Don't make plans that don't include God

1Ti 6:9-10 But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. (10) For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs.

Mat 6:34 "Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

Pro 27:1 Do not boast about tomorrow, for you do not know what a day may bring.

1Pe 1:24-25 for "All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, (25) but the word of the Lord remains forever." And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

Jas 4:15 Instead you ought to say, "If the Lord wills, we will live and do this or that."

Act 18:21 But on taking leave of them he said, "I will return to you if God wills," and he set sail from Ephesus.

1Co 4:19 But I will come to you soon, if the Lord wills,

Jas 4:16 As it is, you boast in your arrogance. All such boasting is evil.

Thinking we control the future is boastful.

1Co 5:6 Your boasting is not good. Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump?

2Co 11:30 If I must boast, I will boast of the things that show my weakness.

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