

"But [God] gives greater grace. Therefore he says: 'God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble.' Therefore, submit to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, sinners, and purify your hearts, you double- JAMES minded." (James 4:6-8)

"Be miserable and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you." (James 4:9-10)

JAMES

We are deeply uncomfortable with being uncomfortable, but what if being uncomfortable is exactly what we need to lead us into true and lasting comfort?

JAMES



"You adulterous people! Don't you know that friendship with the world is hostility toward God? So whoever wants to be the friend of the world becomes the enemy of God. Or do you think it's without reason that the Scripture says: The spirit he made to dwell in us envies JAMES intensely?" (James 4:4-5)

James' remedy for friendship with the world is a willing submission to the authority of God, a voluntary ordering of one's life within and beneath God's wisdom, will, and care. JAMES

To repent and submit once again to God, one must...

- Resist the devil
- Draw near to God
- Cleanse your hands/purify your hearts
- Grieve your sin in humility JAMES

"Don't criticize one another, brothers and sisters. Anyone who defames or judges a fellow believer defames and judges the law. If you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law but a judge. There is one lawgiver and judge who is able to save and to destroy. But who are you to judge your JAMES neighbor?" (James 4:11-12)