

Slow Down: Construction Ahead  
Walk This Way Series - A Study of the Book of James  
James 4:1-17

Introduction - When one fails to manipulate with his WORDS, he often defaults to anger. - Ephesians 4:26

I. Anger comes from a WORLDLY viewpoint

- vv. 1-2 - When infected by materialism, favoritism and jealousy, fights are bound to happen - 1 Peter 2:11; Romans 7:23
- v. 3 - Unanswered prayer caused by seeking personal gratification while disregarding God's Will.
- v. 4 - Spiritual adultery combined with a voluntary blindness towards the seriousness of sin - Romans 5:10 - Delivered?
- v. 5 - The Spirit of God has intense desires for us to experience victory - Galatians 5:22

II. Anger comes from a PROUD attitude

- v. 6 - Divine jealousy brings grace but worldly jealousy brings revenge - Proverbs 3:34 - Only the humble can experience grace/forgiveness
- vv. 7-10 - What humility means: submission (Romans 12:1-2) resistance (2 Timothy 2:22), draw near, cleanse (actions), purify (thoughts) - This revival brings exaltation
- vv. 11-12 - God is the only Judge
- vv. 13 -16 - Warnings against planning while disregarding the preeminent fact of life: God

- v. 17 - Pride overlooks its own failure, specifically lacking submission to God's Will

Conclusion - May we hit the mark/ TARGET for which God has called us!