

A Sober Audit

PASTOR MIKE YODER • JAMES 4:1-12

JAMES
FAITH / WORKS

WARM UP

Who's been a source of encouragement to you recently? In what way(s) have they encouraged you?

COMING UP

GRACEPOLARIS.ORG/CALENDAR

Membership Class Sunday, June 6 • 4:00 p.m. • MC 3 • To RSVP, visit GracePolaris.org/Membership or text "Membership" to 614-888-7733.

Summer Bible Study Wednesdays, June 9–August 4 • 6:45 p.m. • MC 1–2 • To RSVP, visit GracePolaris.org/Summer or text "Summer" to 614-888-7733.

Young Adults Lake Night Friday, June 18 • 6:00 p.m. • Alum Creek State Park Beach (3400 Lewis Center Road in Lewis Center) • All young adults (ages 18–25) are invited! Meet at the south end of the beach near the volleyball courts.

WITNESS

- Who are the people in your sphere of influence you're praying will come to know Jesus?
- Share any progress/updates. Pray together for God to use you and your Grace Group to influence these people for Jesus.

EXPLORE

- 1 James speaks in very direct language, especially in chapters 4–5. Have you ever had a believer who loved you speak directly to you, even to the point of admonishment? How did you receive it?
- 2 What are some reasons believers give to describe or explain why they're in conflict with other believers? What personal motivations are they often blind to in such conflicts?
- 3 James exposes the temptation we face to be driven by our pleasures ("hedonism"). What are the pleasures that might possibly undermine or distort your allegiance to Christ (4:3)?
- 4 What's the difference between friendship with (or loving) the world and being friends with (or loving) people of this world?
- 5 Practically speaking, what does it mean to submit yourself to God? What does it mean to resist the devil?
- 6 Grace not only gets us in (salvation) but leads us on (sanctification). How is the promise of God's grace a great encouragement to those who are already believers? Read and consider Hebrews 4:15,16 and Titus 2:11–14.
- 7 God's grace seems to be conditioned upon humility for those who come to Him. Why? What does Luke 18:9–14 reveal about this humility?

PRAY

Pray for a heart of humility before the Lord and toward others.