



James: Embracing Ordinary CONFLICT

April 2 | Matt Anderson

WARM UP

1. Did you grow up celebrating Palm Sunday and Easter in your family?
2. What stood out to you in this week's message?

DIG IN

3. Where does James say that conflict truly comes from?
4. Read James 4:4. What is this passage declaring about how we are to keep the Greatest and #2 Commandments that Jesus gave us (Matt 22:37)?
5. Why does God become "last" in our hearts if he is not "first"?
6. Why does God get jealous when we put him last (James 4:5-6)? What does he do in response?

DIGGING DEEPER (EXTRA CREDIT!)

7. Talk about the battle for our hearts described in James 4:7-10. Why is there grieving and mourning associated with resisting the devil and turning back to God, in a way that resembles an addict trying to get clean?
8. If Jesus "won the battle" for our hearts on the cross, why must we still fight?
9. What am I most likely to place above God in my heart? How do I approach that problem by enjoying the victorious power of the Gospel, rather than just shaming myself or trying harder?



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James 4:1

What causes _____ and _____ among you?

James 4:2-10

Conflict on the outside comes from....

Deeper Conflict:

Conflict on the inside comes from...

God is either _____ or _____ in my heart

Greatest commandment and #2 commandment

Jealous God?

God made us to _____ him and wants the _____ he put in us.

He will _____ prideful alternatives.

Make no mistake:

-You are not _____ in the battle for your heart.

-Psalm Sunday was God’s _____ to come to the rescue.

-Communion is a reminder of how Jesus _____.