

Can't We All Just Get Along?

James 4:1-12

Why can't we all just get along?"

1. It's because I have wrong _____ Vss. 1 - 10

Coveting is wanting more and more of what I have
_____ of already.

Wrong Desires: Greek - *hedonon*, Seeking
_____ is the chief aim of life

I have a choice to make Vss. 4 – 6

I have to choose between being faithful to God
the _____, or to the god of this
_____. (Eph 2:2)

The answer to a covetous heart... Vss. 7 – 10

Seven commands to reach harmony and holiness:

- Submit – Render God _____.
- Resist – Take a _____.
- Come near – I need to draw
_____ to God.
- Wash my hands -- Clean up my filthy
_____.
- Purify my heart -- Clean up my
_____ and _____.
- Grieve, mourn and wail... change -- All 4 verbs
speak of a call to _____.

- Humble myself – The most
_____ quality.

2. It's because of my _____ attitude: Vss. 11 – 12:

The Greek term is broader in scope meaning not just
to slander, but to say any _____ word.

Prov. 15:1 “A *gentle answer turns away wrath, but a
harsh word stirs up anger.*”

Conclusion

The Ideal - Acts 4:32-35

The Reality – Acts 5:1-11, 6:1

I must not be _____, but rather
_____ in my attitudes and actions.

Discussion – Look at the seven qualities for harmony and holiness.
How might you help further these along in your life, your family and
the church?