

James 4 - Surprise at this picture of early Church -
just 30 yrs after x death many of the Christians were
being embarrassed by the corrupt atmosphere
around them - For from possessing that
peace described in 3:18 - because of their sins:

I - Contentious, Conflict 1-3

- 1 - Desires for wrong things wages ceaseless war against
anything that stands in their way of justification
- 2 - vs 2 - Try everything but prayer - we'll do anything
to keep from asking & for it - why?
- 3 - can ask wrongly - vs 3 - Consume - "spend"
prodigal - "you ask w/ lips & no answer because
don't ask w/ heart."
- 4 - war - our word "strategy" - Pres Part - we're
being invaded by an enemy army, permanently on
active duty - "in your members" - no part of
life that does not afford a battle ground. we
are in grip of overwhelming army of occupation.
— real satisfaction obtained by praying to & who
can give it.
- 5 - unanswered prayer = under control of pleasure -
if & answered prayer they would only spend it in
the satisfaction of desires - job, health, etc. wouldn't
change our dedication

II - Compromise 4-5 - Two rivals for love &

allegiance of human heart - & world - choose one
& become enemy of other - Dividing our affections
between & world - indifferent or hostile to &
— a deliberate choice - way fall into it, but this one
— asks it out - like walking over into enemy camp.
earnest longing for whole heart of believer - so intense,
to border on jealousy

vs 5 - Scripture never speaks empty, w/out meaning -
all it says has a purpose & message - Hard? vs 6
- "yearns for us even unto jealous envy"
& is jealous will brook no rivals - He gave His
Spirit - doesn't want spirit of world there
vs 6 - greater need
requirement, greater grace

II - Dethroner - destroys central 1-true - Jesus
 wilderness temptation 2. Satan is deceiver, rebelling
 against authority, 3. He comes set to 4. True
 Gen 3 - Satan's plan is to introduce complete lawlessness
on earth

4 - Inst of govt after Noah Rom 13; 1 Peter 2:15
 no nation has ever been found w/out or induced w/out
 respect for law & order

2nd Babylon - inst of it came some of greatest codified
 law for all nations

2nd Lex Romana - Roman law = citizen repudiated
 law & its right to rule over them.

- Civil disobedience as a means to change a corrupt
govt is a part of Satan's plan

5 - authority in home ① husband over wife
 ② parents over children
 Eli, a father

6 - authority in church - 1 Peter 5 -

7 - the authority of Jesus + over you -

closer we get to end, more lawlessness

III - Duplicate - ~~Satan wanted to make one~~
 Gen 14:12 - I will be like most high -

1 - Satan is never original, an imitator 2 - to make
one godlike w/out G

3 - He always imitates G + G's work 2nd Moses
II Cor 11:13-15 - Judas cast out demon
 Matt 7

1 Tim 4: Satan has demons preaching

4 - Evolution producing man w/out G

5 - imitate Salvation
 one godlike w/out G

Babel =
 govt w/out
 G

Close w/ 1 Pet 2:19