Jas 4:1-8

1. What are the ways we can understand the phrase "Passions at war within you"? (4:1). How would these cause conflict?

2. James seems to be addressing people who couldn't figure out the source of their contention. What could prevent them from seeing the cause?

3. What common misconception about prosperity does James contradict? (v.2)

4. What were the two main problems with their attempts to gain? (v.2-3)

5. What is meant by friendship with the world? How does it cause enmity with God?

6. What are the two ways that 4:5 is translated? What would the concept of jealousy be in the two interpretations?

7. Find the verse that James is quoting.

8. What connection does v.6 (giving of grace) have to do with the previous verse? God gives more grace than who/what?

9. Describe whether James solution seems overly simplistic. Describe what successful resistance includes.(v.7-8)