

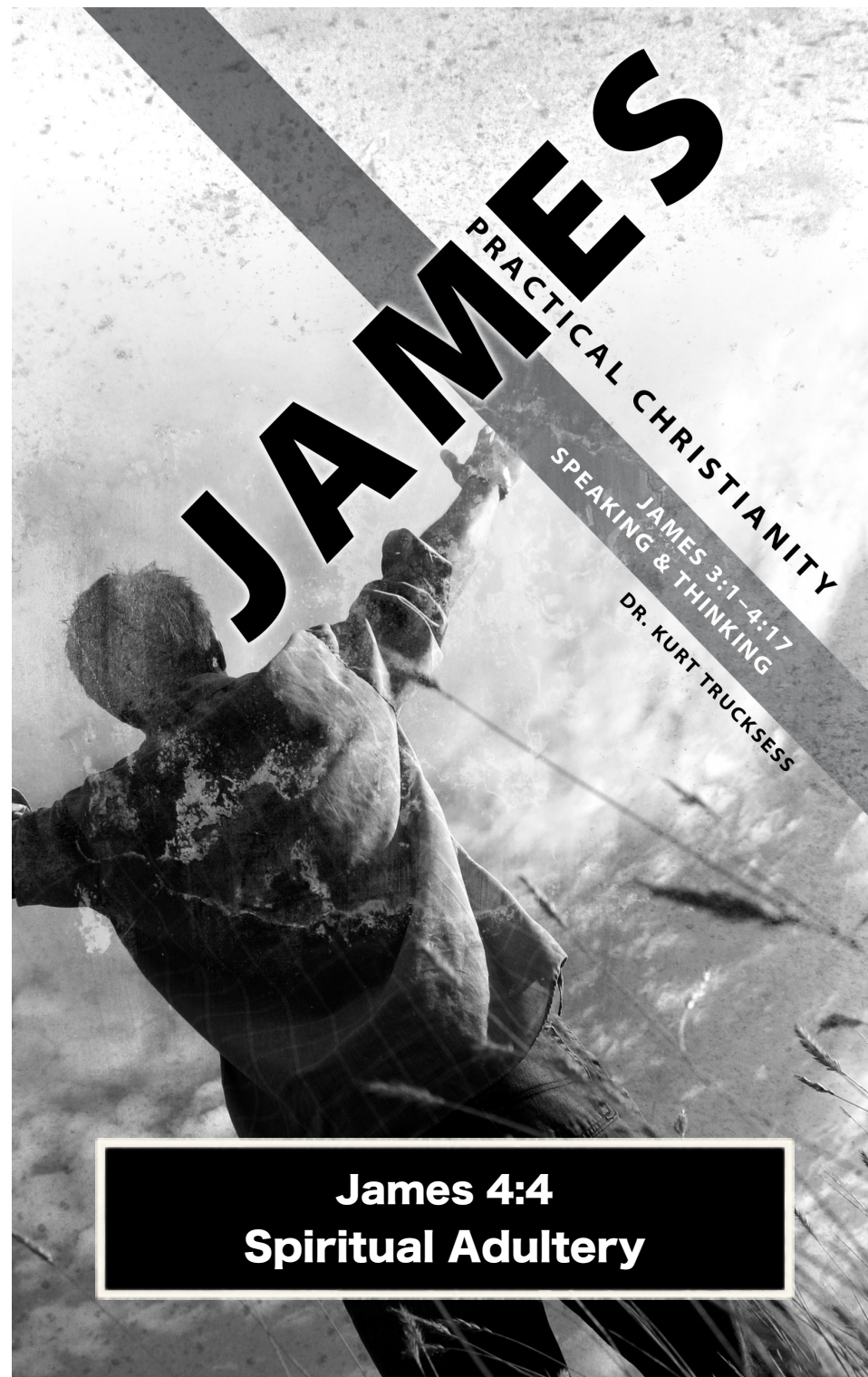
(for you shall worship no other god, for the Lord, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God), Exodus 34:14 (ESV)

What is friendship with the world?

Friendship with the world - It is the wish to retain the world's favor, even as we wish to enjoy Christ.

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James 4:4 - Spiritual Adultery



The Husband

For your Maker is your husband, the Lord of hosts is his name... Isaiah 54:5 (ESV)

"You shall have no other gods before me. Exodus 20:3 (ESV)

and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate." Mark 10:8–9 (ESV)

The Bride

And I will betroth you to me forever. I will betroth you to me in righteousness and in justice, in steadfast love and in mercy. I will betroth you to me in faithfulness. And you shall know the Lord. Hosea 2:19–20 (ESV)

I wish you would bear with me in a little foolishness. Do bear with me! For I feel a divine jealousy for you, since I betrothed you to one husband, to present you as a pure virgin to Christ. 2 Corinthians 11:1–2 (ESV)

Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her,... "Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. Ephesians 5:25, 31–32 (ESV)

The Wedding

Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the roar of many waters and like the sound of mighty peals of thunder, crying out, "Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his Bride has made herself ready; it was granted her to clothe herself with fine linen, bright and pure"— for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints. Revelation 19:6–8 (ESV)

What does this have to do with James?

You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, "He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us"? James 4:4–5 (ESV)