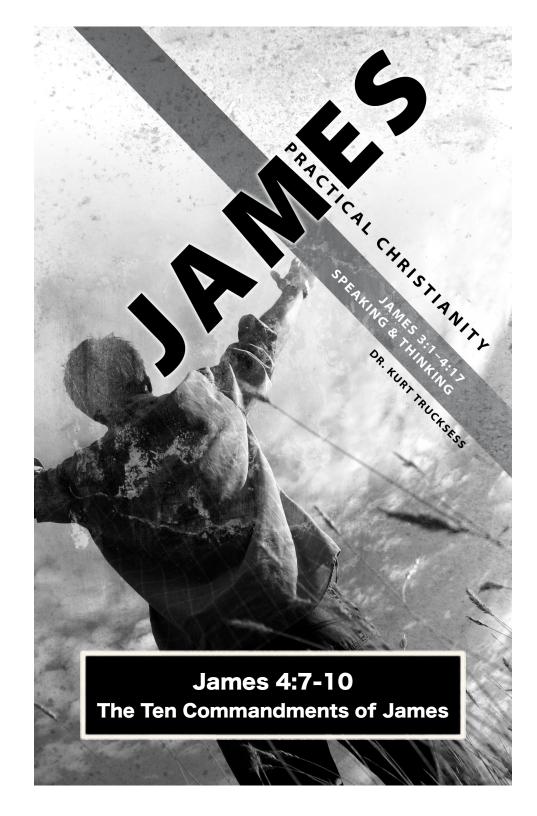
**Cleanse** your hands... purify your hearts.

Be <u>wretched</u>, <u>mourn</u>, and <u>weep</u>, <u>change</u> your laughter to mourning; joy to gloom

**<u>Humble</u>** yourselves before the Lord.

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# Faith Church - EFCA





James 4:7-10 - The Ten Commandments of James

## **Ten Steps toward Humility**

### Submit to God.

Submit yourselves therefore to God. James 4:7 (ESV)

Submit - a military word which means to fall in rank behind

Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go into such and such a town and spend a year there and trade and make a profit"— yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes. James 4:13–14 (ESV)

Lord, what thou wilt, where though wilt, and when thou wilt. Richard Baxter (1615-1691)

The test of submission is how I react when God steers me in a direction I don't want to go.

And he said, "...The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord." Job 1:21 (ESV)

### Resist the devil.

Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. James 4:7b (ESV)

Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. Resist him, firm in your faith,... 1 Peter 5:8–9 (ESV)

Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Ephesians 6:11–12 (ESV)

...for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world. 1 John 4:4 (ESV)  $\,$ 

#### **Draw** near to God.

Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. James 4:8 (ESV)

The Lord is near to all who call on him... Psalm 145:18 (ESV)

You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart. Jeremiah 29:13 (ESV)

Inch toward God, and he will step toward you. Step toward God, and he will sprint toward you. Sprint toward God, and he will fly to you! (Kent Hughes, James: Faith that Works)