

Series: James: Faith in Action
Sermon: God Opposes Arrogance
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Daily Readings

Monday: James 4:6-James 5:6
Tuesday: Proverbs 19
Wednesday: Matthew 6:19-24
Thursday: Luke 12:13-34
Friday: Luke 6:37-49
Saturday: 2 Corinthians 8:1-15

Discussion Questions

1. Have someone in your group give a brief recap of Sunday's message, highlighting the primary Scripture points and the main idea of the message.
2. How did this message strengthen and/or correct your previous ideas about God's opposition to arrogance? Was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you? Did you learn anything new about God or yourself this week?
3. Why is it arrogant to condemn a brother or sister in Christ? How is this different from calling out sin in the household of God?
4. Read **James 4:12**. Why is it the height of arrogance to put ourselves in the position of lawgiver and judge? How can we instead leave the judgment to God and offer mercy freely to those around us?
5. Read **James 4:13-14**. In what ways does this passage humble us? How should the truths of these verses inform how we approach each day?
6. Read **James 4:15-16**. Why is control really an illusion? Why is it so easy to desire control? How can we submit this to the Lord?
7. If your stuff and money could talk, what would it say to God on your behalf?
8. How do we guard against the arrogance of wealth in our hearts? How can we use what God has given us for His glory and purposes?
9. Read **2 Corinthians 8:9**. How does Jesus cure arrogance in our hearts?
10. What action step do you need to take in response to this week's message? How can your group hold you accountable to this step?

Action Steps:

-Take a moment to pray that Jesus would cure any form of arrogance in our hearts

-Find a way to use what God has given you for His Kingdom this week. Maybe there is an organization your group can bless, maybe there is an individual your group can bless, or maybe each person in the group decides to take this challenge on individually. Whatever it is, let's use our resources, stuff, and money for the glory of God.