



A PLACE TO BELONG
and *Grow*

Welcome
to your home church!

Real Faith

The Formula for Peace and Satisfaction

James 4:1-10



I. The Difference Between a Quarrel and a Conflict.

- Quarrel: *a general term for an all-out war.*
- Conflict: *an individual battle*



II. The Source of Quarrels and Conflicts (4:1-3)

A. Illicit Desire (1)

B. Bitter Envy (2a)

C. Defective Prayer (2b-3)

1. Failure to pray

2. Selfish goals in prayer

III. The Problem of Spiritual Adultery (4:4-7)

A. Friendship with the world makes us an enemy of God (4).

1. “World” = *the philosophical and moral system that operates apart from God.*

“I’ll get what I want, when I want it, and in my own way.”

2. Spiritual adultery occurs when the satisfaction we find in the world is more than the satisfaction we find in God.

B. God hovers over us with jealous grace (5-7).

- **Be humble (6)**
- **Submit to God (7a)**
- **Resist the devil (7b)**



IV. How to Draw Near to God (4:8-10).

A. Cleanse your hands (8b)

B. Purify your heart (8c)

C. Mourn over your sin (9)

D. Humble yourself before God (10)



