

SERMON NOTES

June 25-26, 2022

How Do I?: Solve My Biggest Problem?

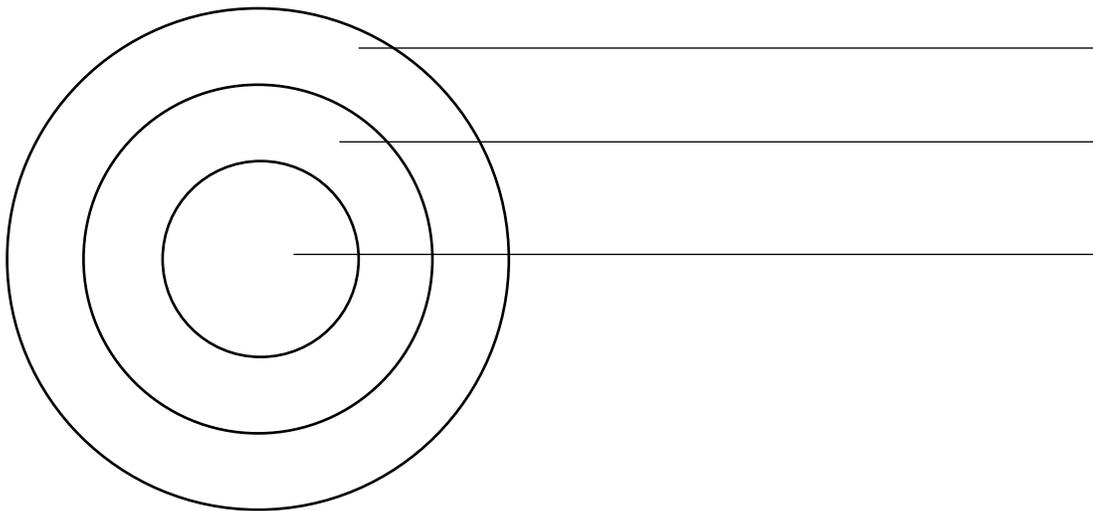
James 4:1-6

1. I have a _____ than what I think is my problem. **James 4:1a**

2. My real problem is _____. **James 4:1b**

3. My bigger problem is _____. **James 4:2-3**

LIFE CONCERNS



4. My biggest problem is _____. **James 4:4 | Romans 7:21-25**

5. _____ has solved my biggest problem _____.

James 4:6

Life Steps

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Monday

James 4:1-6

Reflect: Summarize in one sentence what James identifies as the deepest cause of fights and quarrels among us. What is something you envy in another person?

Prayer: Search me, O God, and know my heart.

Tuesday

James 4:4

Reflect: How would you describe friendship with the world? C. S. Lewis wrote, "We say people are proud of being rich, or clever, or good-looking, but they are not. They are proud of being richer, or cleverer, or better looking than others." How is this statement true of you?

Prayer: God, deliver me from the desires that get in the way of my friendship with you.

Wednesday

James 4:1-2b

Reflect: What is something you envy in another person? Carefully consider the relevance of this statement to you: "We only love God to the degree that God gives us what we actually love."

Prayer: Kind hearted God, forgive my wandering and envious heart.

Thursday

James 4:2c-3

Reflect: To what extent do these two statements describe you? "You do not have because you do not ask God" and "When you ask you do not receive because you ask with wrong motives." Where in your spiritual life do you need God to help you?

Prayer: Holy God, cleanse my heart of any and all selfish motives.

Friday

Romans 7:21-25a

Reflect: How might a problem you are currently facing be related to something that is within you? What battles with God for priority in your life? What does the first half of verse 25 reveal about how to approach this problem?

Prayer: Help me God, for I am my biggest problem.

Saturday

James 4:6

Reflect: What does it mean that God "shows favor to the humble?" What is the role of grace in your life?

Prayer: Thank you, God, for grace upon grace..

Sunday

James 4:7-12

Reflect: In verse 9, James lays out how we are to view our sin issue. Describe in your own words what James is instructing. What does humble yourself before the Lord mean? What do you sense God saying to you through this passage?

Prayer: Help me to humble myself and surrender all I have and am to you.