

**Scripture**

James 4:1-10

**Ice Breaker**

1. Can you think of a time in your life when you faced insecurity or uncertainty in a relationship. How did it impact your interactions and decisions?

**Going Deeper**

1. Is there anything that stood out to you from Sunday's message, or do you have any questions?
2. Read James 4:1-10
3. What does James say is the cause of fights and quarrels? Do you agree or disagree with him? Why or why not?
4. Can you identify a desire that has caused tension in one of your relationships? How did you handle it? What did you learn from it?
5. How do you typically react when faced with conflicts in your relationships? Do you lean towards selfish desires or seek resolution through humility?
6. The sermon emphasizes the importance of discerning God's ways over the ways of the world. Can you think of a situation where aligning with the world's perspective caused difficulties in your relationships?
7. How can we strike a balance between seeking guidance from Scripture and God while also considering the opinions of others?
8. In the sermon, Pastor Rob talks about how our relationship with God can be hindered when we excessively align ourselves with the ways of the world, relying solely on opinions and voices of the world. How can you ensure that you are being discerning and not just accepting opinions from others without evaluating whether they align with God's word?
9. How can spiritual practices, such as reading scriptures, praying, and participating in church activities, help draw you closer to God and improve your relationships?
10. James encourages confessing sins and taking them seriously. How do you approach confession in your spiritual journey?
11. Discuss the concept of humility before God. What does it mean to humble yourself before God, and how can it positively impact your relationship with Him?
12. James writes that God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble. How have you experienced the difference between approaching God with pride versus humility?
13. Share a practical step you can take this week to submit more to God and improve your relationship with Him.
14. How can the group support and encourage one another in their individual journeys of strengthening their relationship with God?
15. Reflect on the statement, "God is gracious, and he lifts up the humble." How does this truth bring hope and encouragement to your spiritual journey?