The River Church

50/50 Bible Study Challenge – Year 2 week #16

James 4

Memory Verse: James 4:5 (NASB95): 5 Or do you think that the Scripture speaks to no purpose: "He jealously desires the Spirit which He has made to dwell in us"?

Talking points:

Verse 1-6

- -Who is James speaking to in the first four verses? How do you know?
- -In verse one what members is James speaking of?
- -Explain this statement. "Yet you do not have because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask amiss, that you may spend it on your pleasures."
- -What does it mean to commit spiritual adultery?
- -Look up the meaning of the word enmity? Is this something you would want in your relationship with the Father?
- -What does verse 5 tell us about the Father?
- Does that change your perception of your Fathers feelings towards you? Explain?

- -Verse 6 says God opposes or resists the proud. What does that do to the life of a prideful person?
- -What does the Grace of God look like in believers' life?
- -How would you describe the characteristic of being humble?

Verse 7-10

- -There is a phenomenal weapon in verse 7. What is the cause and effect.
- -Verse 8 has a bedrock promise for all Christian's. What steps do you have to take to receive it?
- -What is verse 9 describing?
- -Why is humbleness required before we can be exalted?

Verse 11-17

- -Why should we not judge our neighbor? What if you recognize a wrong in them? What is the right thing to do?
- -Verse 13-16 have a common message or theme. What can we learn from these 3 verses?
- -After reading verse 14. What is the heavenly perception on your life?
- -How should you apply verse 17 to your life?