



## The need for passion control: James 4.1-10

**1. A passion for love, control, power, the lure of adventure, security, envy, bitterness. You name it, these passions can have immense power over us.** Discuss which "passions" tend to have the most power over you.

**2. I see another law at work in the members of my body, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin at work within my members.** Paul. What does it mean to be a prisoner of the law of sin?

**3. Anyone who chooses to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God.** Verse 4. Discuss what it means to be "a friend of the world." Where do lines need to be drawn?

**4. Jealousy and envy. Jealousy . . . is the sentiment of concern for the well-being of whom or what one holds dear.** Discuss the difference between jealousy (according to this definition) and envy. What effect does envy have on the believer's life? See Matt 20.14-16; 27.18; Rom 1.29; 1 Cor 13.4.

**5. I believe that you have to humble yourself or you will be humbled.** Jason Robinson. Do you agree? What role do humility and "submission to God" play in a Christian's life? See 1 Peter 2.13; Rom 10.3; Eph 5.21. Matt 11.29; 18.4; 23.12; Luke 1.52; Luke 18.9-14.