

## **The Difficulty of Expectations**

James 4:1-10

### **I. Expectations vs Unmet Expectation**

- A. Both have the potential to be disappointing
- B. Both can become idols of my heart
- C. Both need to be inline with God's Word

### **II. The source of the problem - 4:1-3**

- A. Seeking the sinful desires of my heart
- B. Not getting what I want

### **III. The consequences of the conflict - 4:4-6**

- A. I end up in conflict to God
- B. I succumb to pride

### **IV. The cure for my dilemma - 4:7-10**

- A. Submit to God's way
- B. Resist acting the way Satan wants
- C. Seek help through your relationship with God
- D. Practice

### **V. Takeaway:** *I do what I do because I want what I want. So then, the key is changing my wants through delighting in the Lord (Psalm 37:4)*