

# Fights should be inside the ring, not at the church meeting

James 4:1 "What causes fights and quarrels among you?" Blaring music booms from a thunderous sound system. The lights go down, and from the center of the ring a deep voice booms, "Ladies and gentlemen, let's get ready to Rrrrrrrumble."

The crowd instantly goes crazy. There's just something about a fight that draws attention. That maybe OK in the ring, but not among people who call themselves Christian.

Somewhere in the Bible Belt, a certain church was having its annual business meeting when things got a little loud and out of order.

An older woman in the church stood to her feet and said to the crowd, "Thus saith the Lord, there shall be peace in the house of God and harmony in his work. There



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● moments from calvary

shall be no arguing nor fussing. We should all get along."

She then sat down, and the meeting continued. In a few moments the struggling saints were back at it again. The same lady stood to her feet a second time and in essence gave the same message, then sat down.

The meeting calmed down for a few minutes until things got downright ugly. She stood to her feet, repeated her former treatise and finally added, "Thus saith the Lord,

and this time he means it!"

**Position,** Power, Prosperity and Pleasure — the roots of rage. The Olympics just finished up, but remember the one where a young man whacked the knee of a skater with a steel pipe in order to secure a position for his wife on the Olympic Figure Skating team?

A disillusioned leader places his entire country at risk to prove his power. Insiders on Wall Street sell their soul to secret traders to secure some ill-gotten wealth, and a Congressman has to resign his seat because of an adulterous affair.

It is simple for us to sit back in our easy

chair on Monday morning and lay blame for wars and strife on the stiff-necks of our day. But James was not a naïve finger pointer who rode the wave of belittling those who knew not God.

James shifts the focus from the wishy-washy world to take a look at the thumb-pointing back at the church. He does so by illuminating the four faces of frustration.

**Class Wars:** (James 2:1-9) Here is that age-long rivalry between the rich and the poor. The rich man gets the attention, and the poor man is ignored. The rich man is honored and the poor man disgraced. If the fellowship of the church depends upon such external things as clothing and economic status, then the church is out of the will of God, and strife is sure to succeed.

**Employment wars:** (James 5:1-6)

Again, it is the rich man who has the power to control and hurt the poor man. Laborers do not get their wages, or at least not their fair wages. In spite of our modern labor movement, there are still many people who cannot get a good job, or whose income is less than adequate to feed their families.

**Church fights:** (James 1:19-20; 3:13-18) Apparently, the believers James addressed were at war with each other over positions in the church. Many of them wanted to be teachers and leaders. When they studied the word, the result was not edification, but strife and arguments. Each person thought that his ideas were the only correct ideas and his ways the only right ways. Selfish ambition ruled their meetings, not spiritual submission.

Personal wars (James 4:11-12) The saints were speaking evil of one another. (Remember, "Don't say anything about someone, you wouldn't say to them.") Sadness reigns when Christians clash. Jesus prayed in John chapter 17: "Father make them one, just as you and I are one."

These four desires can be found buried deep beneath the dirt of battle. Unfortunately, when it comes to conflict, on occasion the church takes center stage. Let's hope that the next time we hear the words "Let's get ready to Rrrrrrrumble," it's while watching Friday Night Fights and not from the pulpit or pew. God says, "There should be peace." And this time he means it!

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# Despite snow, drought raises questions about which crops to plant

Although we have received a good snow this week, the continuing drought in north-west Kansas raises questions about which row crops to plant in non irrigated fields this year.



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● agron notes

about eight inches of available water for crops.

Based on minimum moisture requirements, dryland corn has the best chance for success where a silt loam soil has four feet or more of moist soil at planting time. If the same soil has less than four feet of moist soil, grain sorghum probably has a better

chance of producing that year.

These are just general guidelines, and exceptions are common. It's certainly possible to plant dryland corn when there is less than four feet

of moist soil and still get excellent yields if precipitation is above average and temperatures are cool at silking time.

go with the odds, they would likely plant dryland corn where soils have at least eight inches of available water at planting time and grain sorghum where soils have less.

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Morning Service: 10 am  
Evening Service: 6:30 pm  
Wednesday: Evening Bible Study: 7 pm

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Worship Service: 10:50 am  
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Wednesday: Evening Service: 7 pm

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Sunday: Sunday School: 9:15 am  
Worship Service: 10:30 am

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Sunday: Sunday School: 9:30 am  
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Evening Worship: 6 pm  
Wednesday: AWANA (Winter) and prayer: 7 p.m.

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