

Two enemies to watch:

Sin

¹What causes quarrels & what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? ²You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel.

You do not have, because you do not ask.

James 4:1-2

Assumption? *Ppl in relationship have quarrels & fights*

The sin of _____ can be seen as the fruit of a terrible belief:

“I count and you don’t.”

Aggressive

Passive-Aggressive

“I count; you don’t and...

“I count; you don’t but...

it’s in your face.”

I’m not going to tell you.”

I confront you with “truth”
like a sledgehammer.
(sledgehammer)

You don’t deserve the truth.
Try living without oxygen.
(gas chamber)

Satan

Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your **adversary** the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. Resist him. 1 Peter 5:8-9a

Agreements / vows / “functional Decalogue”

Story

The Accuser

Two sources to search:

Our Stories

(Homework)

Our Savior

His work.

(Hand out)

His teaching.

“Judge not, that you be not judged. ²For with the judgment you pronounce you will be judged, and with the measure you use it will be measured to you. ³Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? ⁴Or how can you say to your brother, ‘Let me take the speck out of your eye,’ when there is the log in your own eye? ⁵You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother's eye.

Matthew 7:1-5