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HOW TO _____ WITH _____
Problems in _____

1. We _____.
(James 4:2)

2. We have the _____.
(James 4:3)

How to keep _____ clear:

1. Keep Prayers _____.
(James 5:13, Luke 11:9-13, Daniel 10:12-14)

2. _____ your Prayers.
(James 5:14-16a, Mark 2:1-12)

3. _____ comes _____.
(James 5:16b, Proverbs 15:29, 28:9, Isaiah 1:13-17, Matthew 7:21-27)

CHALLENGE: _____ on your _____ with
God. Start _____ and be _____,
God is not _____.

Grow at Home

We talked about how our disobedience can keep us from clearly communicating with God. What are some areas that you disobey God in? What are some things you need to stop doing or start doing to obey Him in those areas?

Read Matthew 6:5-15

1. What does this passage say about prayer?

Jesus' instructions here are famously know as "the Lord's Prayer" and people often recite it. Look again at verse 9. Does He say, "This, then, is *what* you should pray" or "This, then, is *how* you should pray." What is the difference? What does that mean?

Jesus prays about several different areas. Spend some time writing your own personal "Lord's Prayer" praying through these categories with things from your life. Because Jesus is showing us how to pray, not that these exact words are magical but the kinds of things we should be praying for, your own words are just what God's ears want to hear.

Write Your words next to each category:

Praise God for being God:

Ask for His will in your life:

What are your needs?:

What do you need forgiveness for?:

Who do you need to forgive?:

What are your struggles/temptations?:

Ask God to guide you away from them:

Spend some time praying through the list that you just made. Make sure you share with someone what you

learned today.