

## A letter to the dispersed from James

**Lesson 18- Men to Men Bible  
Study**

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**James 4:7-10**

**It is time to change**



**MEN'S  
MINISTRY**

# PRAYER



# Modern Christian Beliefs



## **Spirituality 60%:**

All paths lead to God as long as you believe in a higher power.

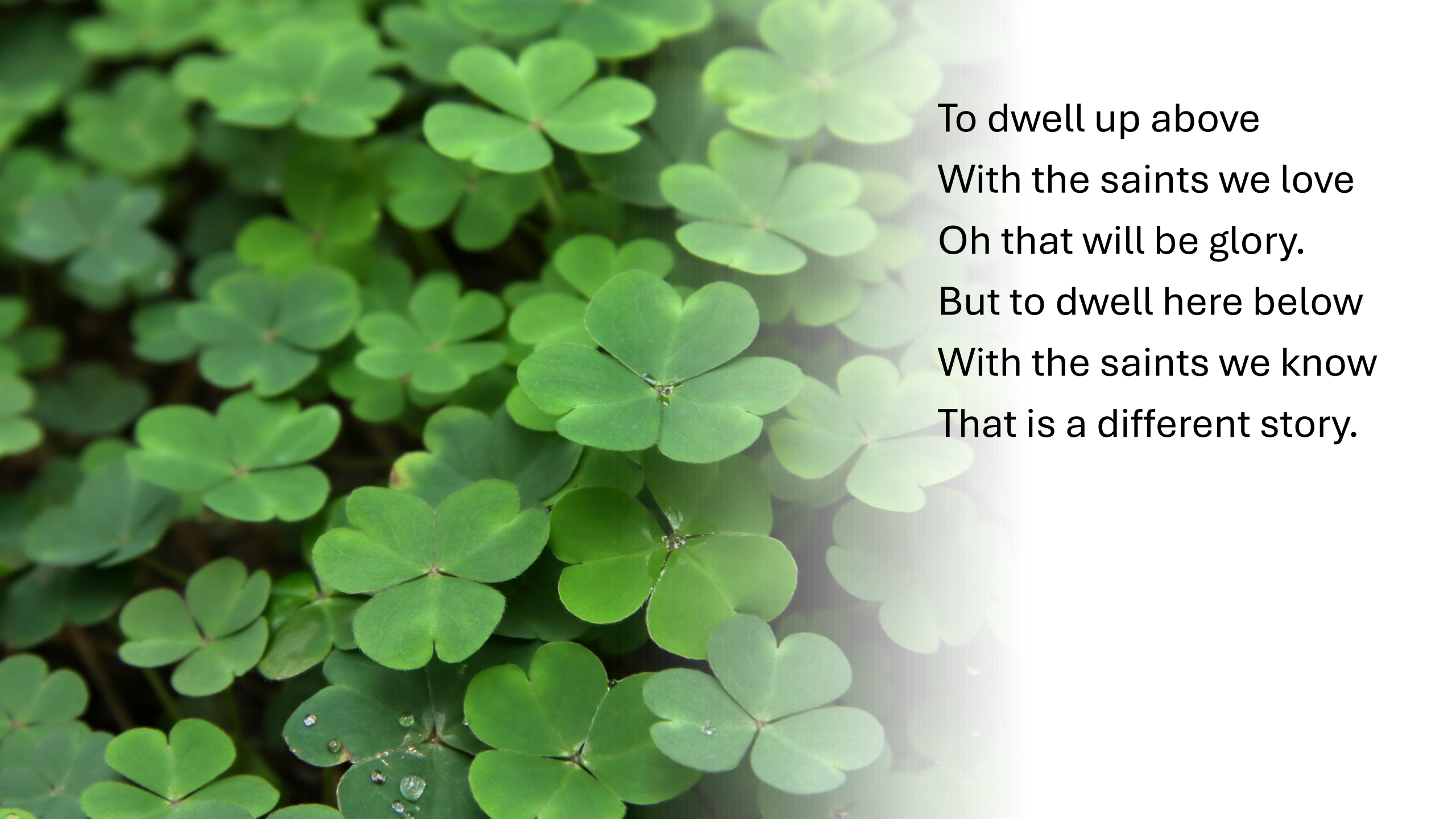
## **Secularism 29%:**

Seeks to interpret life based on principles derived solely from the material world, without recourse to religion.

**Rationalism 54%:** The view that regards reason as the chief source and test of knowledge

**Marxism 36%:** The view of a struggle between the haves and the have nots, i.e. perfect equality.

**Materialism 52%:** The view the only measure of a person is based upon the materials and products created and held.



To dwell up above  
With the saints we love  
Oh that will be glory.  
But to dwell here below  
With the saints we know  
That is a different story.

# **James 4:8, 9, 10** NASB

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**9) Be miserable, and mourn, and weep; let your laughter be turned into mourning, and your joy into gloom.**

**10) Humble yourselves in the presence of the Lord, and He will exalt you.**

# Foundational principals

- **The who of admonition**
- **The goal– to draw near- God’s response He will draw near to you**
- **The method– Clean your hands, purify your hearts**
- **The Danger – the inadequacy of self-delusion.**
- **The result – Humility, presence, and exaltation**

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## Who is the **you** of this admonition

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9) Be miserable, and mourn, and weep; let **your** laughter be turned into mourning, and your joy into gloom.

10) Humble **yourselves** in the presence of the Lord, and He will exalt **you**.

Is it possible for you to be a Jew and be saved?	
Is it possible for you to be poor and be saved?	
Is it possible for you to be rich and be saved?	
Is it possible for you to not have joy in troubles and be saved?	
Is it possible for you to have no endurance and be saved?	
Is it possible for you to have no wisdom and be saved?	
Is it possible for you have doubts and be saved?	
Is it possible for you be mindful of social and economic status and be saved?	
Is it possible for you to be tempted and be saved?	
Is it possible for you to be deceived and be saved?	
Is it possible for you to be slow to hear and be saved?	
Is it possible for you to be quick to speak and be saved?	
Is it possible for you to be quick to get angry and be saved?	
Is it possible for you be a hearer of the word only and be saved?	
It is possible that have filthiness in your life and be saved?	
It is possible for you to be proud and be saved?	
Is it possible for you to be double minded and be saved?	
Is it possible for you that your tongue could be injurious and spiteful and be saved?	
Is it possible for you to come before God with unclean hands and be saved?	
Is it possible to come before God with unpure hearts and be saved?	



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## What is the danger to progress

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