

## The Enemies of Christmas:

### Jealousy

*For it is from within, out of a person's heart, that evil thoughts come—sexual immorality, theft, murder, <sup>22</sup> adultery, greed, malice, deceit, lewdness, envy, slander, arrogance and folly.  
Mark 7:21 (NIV)*

*What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don't they come from your desires that battle within you? <sup>2</sup> You desire but do not have, so you kill. You covet but you cannot get what you want, so you quarrel and fight.  
James 4:1-2 (NIV)*

*You do not have because you do not ask God.<sup>3</sup> When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures.  
James 4: 3-4(NIV)*

*Don't be deceived, my dear brothers and sisters. <sup>17</sup> Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.  
James 1:16-17(NIV)*

*Anger is cruel, and wrath is like a flood,  
but jealousy is even more dangerous.  
Proverbs 27:4 (NLT)*

*A peaceful heart leads to a healthy body;  
jealousy is like cancer in the bones.  
Proverbs 14:30 (NLT)*

*For the woman's jealous husband will be furious,  
and he will show no mercy when he takes revenge.  
Proverbs 6:24 (NLT)*

*Then I observed that most people are motivated to success because they envy their neighbors.  
But this, too, is meaningless—like chasing the wind.  
Ecclesiastes 4:4 (NLT)*

KEY HABIT: \_\_\_\_\_.

*Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn.  
Romans 12:15 (NIV)*