

# James: PRACTICAL WISDOM FOR CHRISTIANS

## Lesson 9: Planning for Tomorrow: James 4:13-17

James 4:13-17 – “Come now, you who say, “Today or tomorrow we will go into such and such a town and spend a year there and trade and make a profit”— <sup>14</sup>yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes. <sup>15</sup>Instead you ought to say, “If the Lord wills, we will live and do this or that.” <sup>16</sup>As it is, you boast in your arrogance. All such boasting is evil. <sup>17</sup>So whoever knows the right thing to do and fails to do it, for him it is sin.

Two errors in planning

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If God wills

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The sin of worrying

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### Discussion Questions

- Is it wrong to plan? Why or why not?
- What does godly planning look like?
- What are some ways that we can honor God with our time?