

James 4:13-17 Part II

Speak as Those Who Depend Upon the LORD

1. CONTEXT within the Epistle.
2. CORRECTION of Arrogant and Evil Speech: (13-14)
 - a. They speak with great confidence.
 - b. They are unaware of their own ignorance.
 - c. They are unaware of their transience.
3. _____ for Right Speech, Thinking, and Action: (15-17)
 - a. _____: '*Instead you should say...*'
 - i. His _____ is decisive: '*...If the Lord wills...*' –Acts 18:21
 1. God is sovereign over the _____. –Is 40:12-17; 46:8-11; Eph 1:11
 2. God is sovereign over His _____. –Prov 16:9; Heb 6:1-3
 - ii. Our _____ are His: '*...we will live and do this or that.*' –Deut 8:17-18
 1. He _____ and makes _____. –Deut 32:39; 1 Sam 2:6-7
 2. He _____ and He _____. –Job 1:21-22; Rom 8:35-39
 - b. _____:
 - i. _____ motive: '*As it is you boast in your arrogance.*' –Jam 1:9; 3:14
 1. _____ is rooted in _____. –Jer 17:5; Ps 146:3-5
 2. They should rather boast in their _____. –Jam 1:9-11
 - ii. Moral _____: '*All such boasting is evil.*' –Dan 4:30
 - c. _____: '*So whoever knows the right thing to do and fails to do it, for him it is sin:*'
 - i. Right _____ is necessary, but _____. –Jam 2:14-26
 - ii. There are sins of _____ and _____. –Jam 2:14-17
 - iii. We must be _____ and effectual _____. –Jam 1:22-25
 - iv. Our deeds confirm our _____ and _____. –Matt 3:8; Acts 26:20

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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"—¹⁴ 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.¹⁵ Instead you ought to say, "If the Lord wills, we will live and do this or that."¹⁶ As it is, you boast in your arrogance. All such boasting is evil.¹⁷ So whoever knows the right thing to do and fails to do it, for him it is sin.