



# James 4:13-17

Life is **short** – What are we  
doing with the **time** we've  
been given?





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# James 4:13

**“Come now” = Listen up and  
pay attention, right now**



**The picture being painted is  
a person, who painstakingly  
plans ALL aspects,  
however, this person  
NEVER sought God**



**Attempting to make plans  
independent from God is  
BOTH arrogant and foolish**

**James 4:13**



**This person's plan was **future**  
focused, yet it was ultimately  
**short-sighted**, as it **NEVER** took  
into consideration eternity and  
treasures in heaven**

**James 4:14**



# Three take aways regarding life from this verse:

1. This life is **fragile**
2. This life is **fleeting**
3. This life is **NOT forever**





# James 4:14-15

**Instead of making your own plans independently of God, seek God's guidance for ALL decisions in life – great or small**



**“Lord” = Master; Owner;  
Supreme One; One with  
Authority**

**James 4:16**



**“Boast” = it’s being a **loud mouth**; it’s boisterously proclaiming (it’s **prideful** and it publicly heralds your accomplishments)**



**Proverbs 16:18**

**James 4:17**



**When we know **God's truth**  
and brazenly refuse to follow  
it and make appropriate  
changes, we're **wrong** and  
we're in sin**

