

¹³ Now listen, you who say, “Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and make money.” ¹⁴ Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. ¹⁵ Instead, you ought to say, “If it is the Lord’s will, we will live and do this or that.” ¹⁶ As it is, you boast in your arrogant schemes. All such boasting is evil. ¹⁷ If anyone, then, knows the good they ought to do and doesn’t do it, it is sin for them. ...



James 4:13 - 5:11

¹ Now listen, you rich people, weep and wail because of the misery that is coming on you. ² Your wealth has rotted, and moths have eaten your clothes. ³ Your gold and silver are corroded. Their corrosion will testify against you and eat your flesh like fire. You have hoarded wealth in the last days. ⁴ Look! The wages you failed to pay the workers who mowed your fields are crying out against you. The cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord Almighty. ⁵ You have lived on earth in luxury and self-indulgence. You have fattened yourselves in the day of slaughter. ⁶ You have condemned and murdered the innocent one, who was not opposing you. ...



James 4:13 - 5:11

⁷ Be patient, then, brothers and sisters, until the Lord's coming. See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its valuable crop, patiently waiting for the autumn and spring rains. ⁸ You too, be patient and stand firm, because the Lord's coming is near. ⁹ Don't grumble against one another, brothers and sisters, or you will be judged. The Judge is standing at the door! ¹⁰ Brothers and sisters, as an example of patience in the face of suffering, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord. ¹¹ As you know, we count as blessed those who have persevered. You have heard of Job's perseverance and have seen what the Lord finally brought about. The Lord is full of compassion and mercy.



James 4:13 - 5:11

HAPPY
NEW YEAR



“Now listen, you who say, “Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and make money.” Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow.”



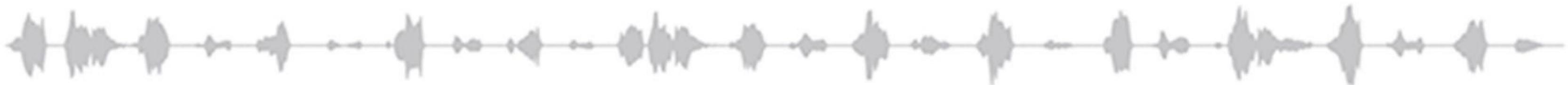
James 4:13 - 14

"Do not boast about tomorrow,
for you do not know what a day may bring."



Proverbs 27 : 1

We Were Made for Wisdom





Wise Living for Today



Wise Living for Today

Wise Planning for Tomorrow



Wise Living for Today

Wise Planning for Tomorrow

Wise Actions for the Moment



Wise Living for Today

Wise Planning for Tomorrow

Wise Actions for the Moment

A Wise Ending for Forever



Wise Living for Today

“Now listen, you who say...”



James 4:13

“As it is, you boast...”



James 4:16

“As it is, you boast in your arrogant schemes.”



James 4:13 - 5:11



Arrogant



Arrogant

“Alazoneia”



Outliers



THE STORY OF SUCCESS

MALCOLM
GLADWELL

#1 bestselling author of *The Tipping Point* and *Blink*

“A poor person’s farm may produce much food,
but injustice sweeps it all away.”



Proverbs 13 : 23 NLT



Wise Living for Today

Wise Planning for Tomorrow

“Instead, you ought to say, “If it is the Lord’s will, we will live and do this or that.””



James 4 : 15

“I will come to you soon, if the Lord wills”



1 Corinthians 4 : 19

“I hope to spend some time with you, if the Lord permits”

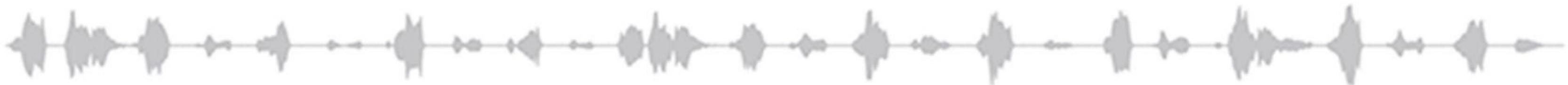


1 Corinthians 16 : 7

Your plans matter, but God's plans matter most.

Your choices matter, but God's choices matter most.

*Your actions make a difference, but God's actions make
the most difference.*



"Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails."



Proverbs 19 : 21



Wise Living for Today

Wise Planning for Tomorrow

Wise Actions for the Moment



1. You can obey God more fervently

“This indeed is the Valley of the shadow of death for me...Oh what would I give for a sympathetic friend to whom I might open my heart. But God is here, who not only has compassion, but is able to save to the uttermost”



William Carey

Diary Entry, February 1795



1. You can obey God more fervently

2. You can live more justly

“Look! The wages you failed to pay the workers who mowed your fields are crying out against you. The cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord Almighty.”



James 5 : 4



1. You can obey God more fervently
2. You can live more justly
3. You can suffer more hopefully

“Be patient, then, brothers and sisters, until the Lord’s coming... You too, be patient... Brothers and sisters, as an example of patience in the face of suffering...”



James 5 : 7, 8, 10

“Better a patient person than a warrior,
one with self-control than one who takes a city.”



Proverbs 16 : 32



Wise Living for Today

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A Wise Ending for Forever

“Your wealth has rotted, and moths have
eaten your clothes.”



James 5 : 2

“Your gold and silver are corroded.”



James 5 : 3

“Things fall apart/The centre cannot hold
Mere anarchy is loosed upon the world”



W.B Yeats

“...stand firm, because the Lord’s coming is near...brothers
and sisters...The Judge is standing at the door!”



James 5 : 8 - 9

“This is My Father’s World
O Let Me Ne’er Forget
That though the wrong
Seems oft so strong
God is the Ruler yet

This is my Father’s world;
the battle is not done
Jesus, who died, shall be satisfied;
And earth and heaven be one.”

