

Warning Against Self-Confidence

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James 4:13-17

_____ is contrary to James' teaching that we must trust the Sovereign God who not only created all things, but is in control of _____ things.

God is not against our making plans but our making plans with an attitude of _____.

Three reasons we must never make plans this way:

1. We are not in control but God is (vs. 13, 15).

Providence: *the fact that he _____ and _____ all that happens.*

"The heart of man plans his way, but the Lord establishes his steps" (Proverbs 16:9)

We should go ahead and _____ but always make _____ for the Lord.

2. We do not know the future, but God does (vs. 14)

No one knows the _____ except God and the prophets to whom God _____ reveals it.

It is clear that James borrowed heavily from the book of _____.

"Do not boast about tomorrow, for you do not know what a day may bring." (Prov. 27:1)

"Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself.

Sufficient for the day is its own trouble" (Matt. 6:34)

3. We may die at any time (vs. 14b)

We do not have _____ over our own life so how can we plan as if we have full control over the _____?

"What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes"(14b)

Moses taught us the wisdom to _____ our days.

Fill in the blanks: independence, all, plans, self-sufficiency, causes, controls, plan, room, future, occasionally, Proverbs, control, future, number