EVERYDAY FAITH

A STUDY IN THE BOOK OF JAMES

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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."

James 4:13

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.

v.14

The heart of man plans his way, but the LORD establishes his steps.

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

Proverbs 16:9, 27:1

Instead you ought to say, "If the Lord wills, we will live and do this or that. As it is, you boast in your arrogance. All such boasting is evil.

vv. 15-16





Paul Woodruff

Reverence begins in a deep understanding of human limitations; from this grows the capacity to be in awe of whatever we believe lives outside our control. . . . [which] as it grows brings with it the capacity for respecting human beings, flaws and all.

and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?' And he said, 'I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God."

Luke 12:17-21





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"We cannot stay where we are. We must journey forth. We must find that which is greater than fortune or fate. Nothing can bring us peace but that."



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