

## **Living in Light of Eternity Discussion Questions**

**James 4:13-17**

1. How can a person believe in God and still live like there is no God?
2. As you go about your day and plan your time and activities, are you doing so with the thought of what God wants you to do with your day? If so, how does that look in your life? If not, how do your plans turn out?
3. What would you do if you knew for certain that tomorrow was your last day on earth? How is this different from what you would normally do?
4. Read James 4:13. What is your “business” plan for your future? Is God in your plans?
5. Look back 10 years. What were your plans of where you would be and what you would be doing today? How has God changed your plans from then till now?
6. What is the danger of saying “I will” without acknowledging God in your plans?
7. Read James 4:14. How does focusing on the present help us to do God’s will better?
8. What does James mean by saying that our lives are a mist?
9. If our lives are like a mist here on earth, what does this reveal about our eternity? How important is it to make the decision to follow and serve God?
10. How can we make the most of the days God has given us?
11. How do we move from arrogant independence to intentional dependence upon God?
12. What scares you about relying completely on God and doing whatever He wants you to do?
13. Read James 4:15. Why is it important to say “Lord willing” when we are making plans?
14. Do we always have to say “Lord willing? Why or why not?
15. How do we know if the Lord is willing for us to do something or not?
16. Is it wrong to make plans for our futures? Why or why not? Does making plans mean we are not trusting God with our future?
17. Is it easy or hard for you to accept what God has chosen for your life? Please explain.
18. Read James 4:16. What does James mean by “as it is, you boast in your arrogance?”

19. Should we boast about anything we do or don't do? Why or why not?
20. If we do boast, what should we boast about?
21. Read James 4:17. What would be some examples of some sins of omission? Examples of commission?
22. Read Romans 7:14-20. What is Paul struggling with here? Do you have the same struggle?
23. How is delayed obedience really disobedience?
24. What action do you need to take after hearing and discussing the sermon this week?