

Living Humbly Under God's Will
Active Faith Unleashed – Part 9
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Isaiah 30:21 (ESV) And your ears shall hear a word behind you, saying, "This is the way, walk in it," when you turn to the right or when you turn to the left.

Psalms 32:8 (ESV) I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you.

Proverbs 16:9 (ESV) The heart of man plans his way, but the LORD establishes his steps.

1. Avoid the trap of _____ others

James 4:11 (ESV) Do not speak evil against one another, brothers. The one who speaks against a brother or judges his brother, speaks evil against the law and judges the law. But if you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law but a judge.

James 4:12 (ESV) There is only one lawgiver and judge, he who is able to save and to destroy. But who are you to judge your neighbor?

2. Recognize the _____ of life

James 4:13 (ESV) 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 4:14 (ESV) 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.

3. Align your _____ with God's will

James 4:15 (ESV) Instead you ought to say, "If the Lord wills, we will live and do this or that."

James 4:16 (ESV) As it is, you boast in your arrogance. All such boasting is evil.

James 4:17 (ESV) So whoever knows the right thing to do and fails to do it, for him it is sin.

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Intro. How can a person know God's will for their life?

How does God guide His children (Isaiah 30:21)?

What is God's promise in Psalm 32:8 regarding His will?

What is the difference between our plans and God's plans (Proverbs 16:9)?

1A. What is wrong with speaking evil against another person (James 4:11)?

1B. How is speaking evil against someone judging them (James 4:12)?

1C. What are some ways that you are tempted to judge or speak evil about others?

2A. What is wrong with the statement being made in James 4:13?

2B. Why is it important to recognize the brevity of life (James 4:14)?

2C. What should your focus in life be since life is like a mist?

2D. Why does God's word tell us to number our days?

3A. How ought we to align our plans with God's will (James 4:15)?

3B. In what ways is making our plans without God arrogant (James 4:16)?

3C. Why is it easy for us to overlook sins of omission (James 4:17)?

3D. How can you discover more clearly God's plan/will for your life?