

FAITH-FILLED FUTURE

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INTRODUCTION:

- A. We wonder about the future...we worry about the future.
- B. The more uncertain the future, the more we worry...wondering???

I. WHAT TO DO AND NOT DO.

- A. We need to **pray** as we plan.

Look here, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we are going to a certain town and will stay there a year. We will do business there and make a profit." James 4:13

- Have you notice we have a tendency to make future plans...without asking God.
- Praying as we plan enacts God's **blessings** in our life.

If you want to know what God wants you to do, just ask Him, and He will gladly tell you, for He is always ready to give a generous supply of wisdom to all who ask Him.

James 1:5

Trust in the lord with all your heart and do not depend on you own understanding. In all your plans acknowledge Him, and He will direct your path.

Proverbs 3:5-6

- Praying is about asking and listening.

David: ***"I'll run the course you lay for me if you'll show me how.***

Psalms 119:32

- It's good to know.....

- B. We **presume** we will have many tomorrows.

How do you know what your life will be like tomorrow? Your life is like the morning fog – it's here a little while, then it's gone. What you ought to say is, "If the Lord wants us to, we will live and do this or that." Otherwise you are boasting about your own plans, and all such boasting evil.

James 4:14-16

- Live one day at a time, making each day count.

Don't worry about tomorrow because tomorrow will have its own worries. Each day has enough trouble of its own!

Matthew 6:34

- Change is the order of the day.

- C. We put off **doing** what is right and good. (Sins of Omission vs. Sins of Commission).

Remember, it is sin to know what you ought to do (something right and good) then not do it.

James 4:17

- Right and good: Fair, excellent, surpassing, suitable, praiseworthy, honoring.
- Do it now!

CONCLUSION: