

James 4v13-5v6

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*Is money more of a blessing or a  
curse?*



**1 Tim 6v10:** For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

- **Our approach to planning (James 4v13-17)**
- **Our attitude to money (James 5v1-6)**

# 1) Our approach to planning

**V13: Now listen**, you who say, “Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and make money.”

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*We need to be clear on 2 things...*

- **Our view of the future**

**V14: Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow.**



# 1) Our approach to planning

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- Our view of the future
- **Our view of self**

**V14:** What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes.



# 1) Our approach to planning

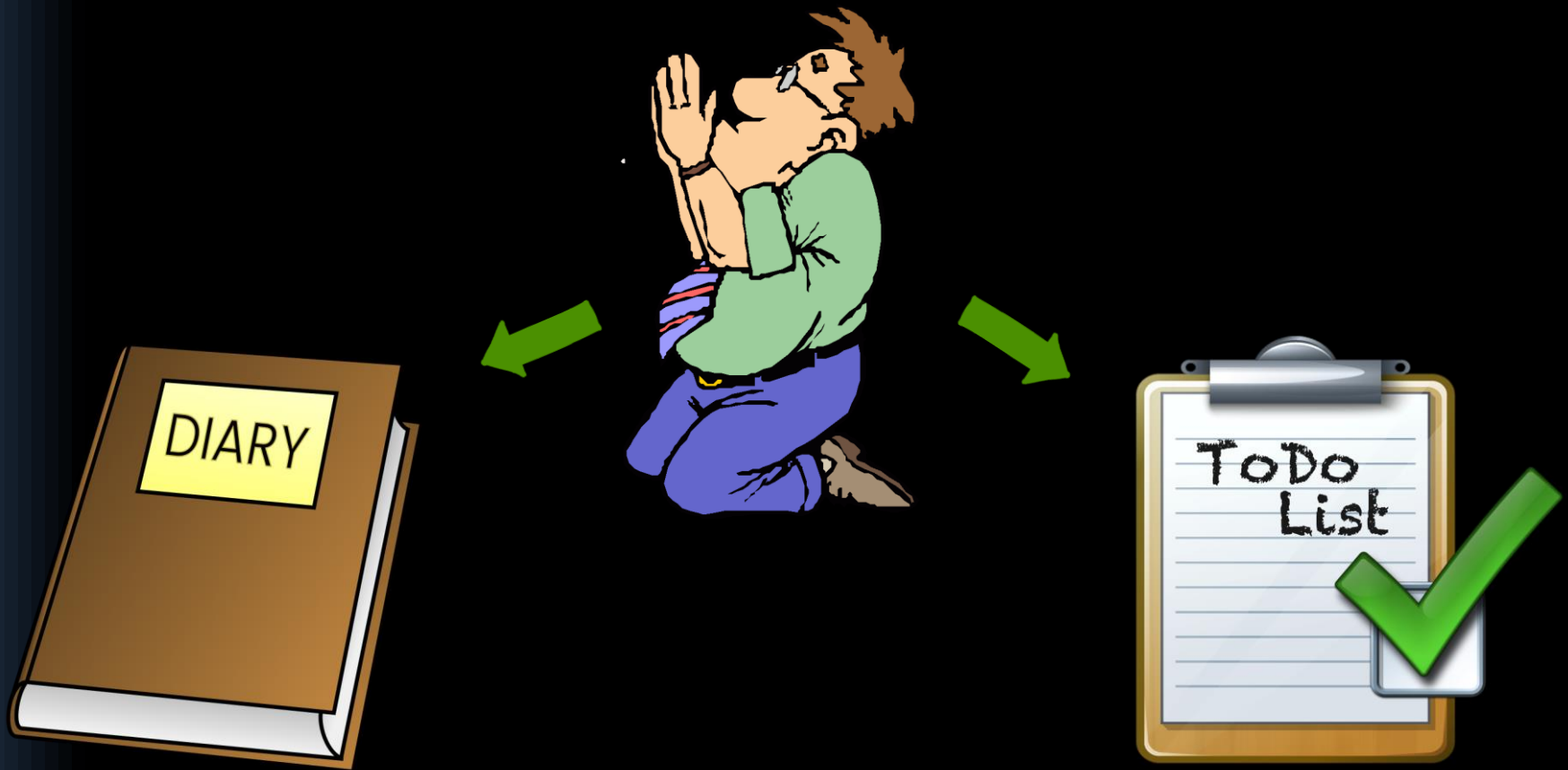
V15: Instead, you ought to say, “If it is the Lord’s will, we will live and do this or that.”



# 1) Our approach to planning

**V16-17:** As it is, you boast in your arrogant schemes. All such boasting is evil. <sup>17</sup> If anyone, then, knows the good they ought to do and doesn't do it, it is sin for them.

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**V13: Now listen**, you who say, “Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and... *give God the glory.*”

## 2) Our attitude to money

**V1-3: Now listen, you rich people, weep and wail because of the misery that is coming on you. <sup>2</sup> Your wealth has rotted, and moths have eaten your clothes. <sup>3</sup> Your gold and silver are corroded. Their corrosion will testify against you and eat your flesh like fire. You have hoarded wealth in the last days.**

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## 2) Our attitude to money

- **Stop hoarding**

**V3:** You have hoarded wealth in the last days.

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**Mt 6v19: “Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal.**

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**V5: You have lived on earth in luxury and self-indulgence. You have fattened yourselves in the day of slaughter.**



## 2) Our attitude to money

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- **Stop defrauding**

**V4:** Look! The wages you failed to pay the workers who mowed your fields are crying out against you. The cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord Almighty.

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**V6:** You have condemned and murdered the innocent one, who was not opposing you.

***Do you love money, or do you love Jesus?***

**1 Tim 6v10:** For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil.

**Mt 6v24:** You cannot serve both God and money

