

## Questions to Consider — Lesson 19 — “To Plan or Not to Plan” — James 4:13-17

1. Read over James 4 while asking yourself which form of “worldliness” needs to be removed most from my life?
2. Memorize James 4:13-15.
3. Read Proverb 16:1-9. What do these verses teach you about wise planning?
4. Read Joshua 9. (a) Did the men seek the Lord’s counsel about the Gibeonites? (b) What is the irony in what Joshua says in verse 22? (c) What does this teach you about planning without the Lord, especially when dealing with unbelievers?
5. (a) Give an example of someone in the Word who knew to do right and did not do it. (b) What was their sin? (c) What were the consequences? (d) What does this teach you about walking in the light that you have, being obedient to what you know?
6. Write down your plans for tomorrow. Wait until the next day, and then write down what actually took place. (a) What does this teach you about your plans verses God’s “divine appointments?” (b) Also, how did you react when things did not go as you had planned?
7. Recall a time when you did not consult the Lord for some plan(s) you were making and the result(s).
8. What are you planning this week? Write a prayer request that would include “if the Lord wills” in your planning.