

The Best Laid Plans  
James 4:13-17  
December 4, 2022

Expectations...

Responding to the Will of God

- Ignore It...

- Disobey It...

- Follow It...

“Deo Volente”... As the Lord Wills...

Make it Count:

Designed to Thrive

It's Time to grow UP

Thrive – Part Eleven

## Beyond Sunday...

### Verse of the Week

*“And the angel said to her,  
‘Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God.  
And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son,  
and you will call his name Jesus.’”*

*Luke 1:30-31*

*Our theme for 2022 is FOR THE SAKE OF THE WORLD. Jesus commission to us is  
“Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation.” Mark 16:15  
This week in God’s Word read about the fleeting nature of our lives and the  
response that God calls from us as we follow Him.*

Monday – Psalm 1, Psalm 90:9-12

Tuesday – Jeremiah 29:11. Romans 12:1-2, Hebrews 9:27

Wednesday – Ecclesiastes 3:9-15, 5:1-7

Thursday – Ecclesiastes 9:1-10, 12:1-8, 13-14

Friday – Luke 12:13-21, Proverbs 27:1, Hebrews 10:39

Saturday – Matthew 25:14-30, Colossians 3:23-24, John 4:34

*Additional Reading for Next Sunday: James 5:1-6*

### **ENGAGE**

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- Do you look for comfort in material possessions or wealth? If you stood before God today, do you think that He would be pleased with how you have been stewarding what He has given to you? What needs to change?
  - Are you truly dependent upon God in all things? Do you recognize God’s sovereignty over every aspect of your life?
  - What steps are you taking to follow God’s will in your life? Praying? Studying? Engaging? Following?
  - What is your expected future and what steps are you taking to live for that future? What part does God play in your future?

### **CHALLENGE**

Share with someone this week the HOPE that you have in your life because know Jesus Christ as your Lord and Saviour.