



DIVING DEEPER

Jesus and the Neighbor – 7/18/2021



Read James 4:13-17, and rewrite it in your own words.

1. Who is the focus of verse 13? Why is that a problem?
2. If you feel there is a problem in verse 13 how should we live (our goal or focus)?
3. How does it make you feel for James to call your life a “mist”? What about our life makes it a mist?
4. What is the focus of, “If the Lord wills, we will live and do this or that.”? Why is that so important?
5. What things in your life are done because “the Lord wills it”?
6. Why is boasting evil? What’s its role in arrogance?
7. What is something that you find yourself “boasting” about? Is it sin? How can you keep from becoming arrogant?
8. How come, even though you know the right thing to do, you don’t do it?
9. What can you do when you don’t do the right thing?
10. What if someone does something wrong but out of ignorance of knowing right?

Read Galatians 5:13-15, and rewrite it in your own words.

1. What does, “we were called to freedom” mean? How?

2. In what ways have people used their “freedom as an opportunity for the flesh”?
3. How is serving one another the opposite of “flesh”?
4. Name some ways to serve people in love.
5. How does “loving your neighbor” fulfill the “whole law”?
6. Can an unbeliever love his neighbor? How does that fulfill the whole law?
7. What role does Jesus have in verse 14?
8. Why is it so difficult to understand verse 15 when we are angry?
9. In what ways is “loving your neighbor” and “devour[ing]” opposite each other?
10. Is there a mindset that must precede “love” and “devour”?
11. In what ways do we need to approach our culture so as to not “consume” each other? Is that meant only for Christian brothers and sisters?