

Preaching: John Short

James 4:13-17

**Best Laid Plans...**

**Our life is** \_\_\_\_\_.

Don't live life like an \_\_\_\_\_ as if God is not a factor.

Pursue your plans in \_\_\_\_\_. Open for and asking for God's direction.

**Our life is** \_\_\_\_\_.

What is your life? It's a \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.

**Our life should be** \_\_\_\_\_.

The choice is not between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, but between what's \_\_\_\_\_ and what's \_\_\_\_\_.

**Our life should model** \_\_\_\_\_ **life.**

Practical questions for my life.

- What is your \_\_\_\_\_?
- What should you add to your \_\_\_\_\_?
- What should you take off to add \_\_\_\_\_ in your life?

## Community Group Questions

### Small Group Questions

Read James 4:3-17 together as a group

1. Are you a planner/execution type of person or are you more of a "Let's just see what happens" type of person? How has that been both positive and negative in your life and/or your relationships?
2. How has life's uncertainty affected your life and walk with Christ? (ie, where did your plans begin to break down and how did you feel toward Christ?)
3. Have you ever lived parts of your life like an atheist as a follower of Christ (or, as if God is not a factor)?
4. Is it a hard thing for you to hold your plans and dreams with an open hand? Or, do you hold them tight and become angry when God moves in another way?
5. Describe if you can, how God's plan became much better than your plan.
6. Is it an encouragement or a discouragement to you knowing that your life is a mist or a vapor? Does it paralyze you or motivate you?
7. How big is your plate? What needs to be or can be added to your plate? What needs to be taken off of your plate?

