



Plans

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James 4:13 Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow, we shall go to such and such a city, and spend a year there and engage in business and make a profit."

¹⁴ Yet you do not know what your life will be like tomorrow. You are *just* a vapor that appears for a little while and then vanishes away.

¹⁵ Instead, *you ought* to say, "If the Lord wills, we shall live and also do this or that."

¹⁶ But as it is, you boast in your arrogance; all such boasting is evil.

¹⁷ Therefore, to one who knows *the* right thing to do, and does not do it, to him it is sin.

The Plan

2 Corinthians 12:20 For I am afraid that perhaps when I come I may find you to be not what I wish and may be found by you to be not what you wish; that perhaps *there may be* strife, jealousy, angry tempers, disputes, slanders, gossip, arrogance, disturbances;

²¹ I am afraid that when I come again my God may humiliate me before you, and I may mourn over many of those who have sinned in the past and not repented of the impurity, immorality and sensuality which they have practiced.

13:1 This is the third time I am coming to you. Every fact is to be confirmed by the testimony of two or three witnesses.

² I have previously said when present the second time, and though now absent I say in advance to those who have sinned in the past and to all the rest as well, that if I come again, I will not spare *anyone*,

³ since you are seeking for proof of the Christ who speaks in me, and who is not weak toward you, but mighty in you.

Acts 20:2 And when he had gone through those districts (Macedonia = Northern Greece) and had given them much exhortation, he came to Greece (Achaia = Southern Greece).

³ And *there* he spent three months, and when a plot was formed against him by the Jews as he was about to set sail for Syria, he determined to return through Macedonia.

More Plans

Romans 15:20 ...I aspired to preach the gospel, not where Christ was *already* named, that I might not build upon another man's foundation;

²¹ but as it is written, "They who had no news of Him shall see, And they who have not heard shall understand."

²² For this reason I have often been hindered from coming to you;

²³ but now, with no further place for me in these regions, and since I have had for many years a longing to come to you

²⁴ whenever I go to Spain-- for I hope to see you in passing, and to be helped on my way there by you, when I have first enjoyed your company for a while--

²⁵ but now, I am going to Jerusalem serving the saints.

²⁶ For Macedonia and Achaia have been pleased to make a contribution for the poor among the saints in Jerusalem.

²⁷ Yes, they were pleased *to do so*, and they are indebted to them. For if the Gentiles have shared in their spiritual things, they are indebted to minister to them also in material things.

²⁸ Therefore, when I have finished this, and have put my seal on this fruit of theirs, I will go on by way of you to Spain.

²⁹ And I know that when I come to you, I will come in the fulness of the blessing of Christ.

³⁰ Now I urge you, brethren, by our Lord Jesus Christ and by the love of the Spirit, to strive together with me in your prayers to God for me,

³¹ that I may be delivered from those who are disobedient in Judea, and *that* my service for Jerusalem may prove acceptable to the saints;

³² so that I may come to you in joy by the will of God and find *refreshing* rest in your company.

³³ Now the God of peace be with you all. Amen.

Romans 1:1 Paul, a bond-servant of Christ Jesus, called as an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God,

² which He promised beforehand through His prophets in the holy Scriptures,

³ concerning His Son, who was born of a descendant of David according to the flesh,

⁴ who was declared the Son of God with power by the resurrection from the dead, according to the Spirit of holiness, Jesus Christ our Lord,

⁵ through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about *the* obedience of faith among all the Gentiles, for His name's sake,

⁶ among whom you also are the called of Jesus Christ;

⁷ to all who are beloved of God in Rome, called as saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁸ First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for you all, because your faith is being proclaimed throughout the whole world.

⁹ For God, whom I serve in my spirit in the *preaching of the* gospel of His Son, is my witness *as to* how unceasingly I make mention of you,

¹⁰ always in my prayers making request, if perhaps now at last by the will of God I may succeed in coming to you.

¹¹ For I long to see you in order that I may impart some spiritual gift to you, that you may be established;

¹² that is, that I may be encouraged together with you *while* among you, each of us by the other's faith, both yours and mine.

¹³ And I do not want you to be unaware, brethren, that often I have planned to come to you (and have been prevented thus far) in order that I might obtain some fruit among you also, even as among the rest of the Gentiles.

¹⁴ I am under obligation both to Greeks and to barbarians, both to the wise and to the foolish.

¹⁵ Thus, for my part, I am eager to preach the gospel to you also who are in Rome.

¹⁶ For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

¹⁷ For in it *the* righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, "But the righteous *man* shall live by faith."