

# EVERYDAY SACRED

## MAKING YOUR PLANS SACRED

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### FOUR MISTAKES WHEN PLANNING MY LIFE

#### Mistake #1: I overestimate my \_\_\_\_\_

Look here, you who say, “Today or tomorrow we are going to a certain town and will stay there a year. We will do business there and make a profit.” How do you know what your life will be like tomorrow?

James 14:13,14a NLT

So does this mean planning ahead is wrong?

The **wise man looks ahead**... Proverbs 14:8a TLB

We **can make our plans**, but the final outcome is **in God’s hands**.

Proverbs 16:1 TLB

We **should make plans**—counting on **God to direct** us. Proverbs 16:9 TLB

The solution: Remember the \_\_\_\_\_ of my life

What you ought to say is, “**If the Lord wants us to**, we will live and do this or that.” James 4:15 NLT

(Paul said) “I’ll come back to you again, **if God wills**.” Acts 18:21

#### Mistake #2: I overestimate my \_\_\_\_\_

Your life is like the morning fog—it’s here **a little while**, then it’s gone.

James 4:14b

The solution: Remember the \_\_\_\_\_ of my life

Teach us to **number our days** that we may gain a heart of wisdom.

Psalms 90:12

### Mistake #3: I overestimate my \_\_\_\_\_

Otherwise you are boasting about **your own pretentious plans**, and all such boasting is evil. James 4:16 NLT

Solution: Remember the \_\_\_\_\_ of my life

Pride ends in **humiliation**, while **humility** brings honor.

Proverbs 29:23 NLT

Pride leads to **conflict**; those who **take advice** are wise.

Proverbs 13:10 NLT

### Mistake #4: I overlook my \_\_\_\_\_

Remember, it is sin to **know** what you ought to do **and then not do it**.

James 4:17 NLT

Jesus: "Anyone who lets himself be **distracted** from the work I plan for him is not fit for the kingdom of God." Luke 9:62 TLB

"If the Devil can't make you bad, he'll make you busy." – Rick Warren

The solution: Remember the \_\_\_\_\_ of my life

Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making **the most of every opportunity**... Ephesians 5:15,16a NIV

How can I make a **difference** without **arrogance**?

Keep your eyes on **Jesus**, who both began and finished this race we're in.

Study how he did it. Because he never lost sight of where he was headed

– he could put up with anything along the way: cross, shame, whatever.

And now he's there, in the place of honor, right alongside God.

Hebrews 12:2 The Message

## THE BIG IDEA

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"Lord, I give you the right to change my agenda any time you like without informing me in advance."

Bob Pierce, founder of World Vision