

Emmanuel Prayer Needs

Transitioning of Roles, New Deacons & Elders

- Pray for God's guidance as the changes in leadership and staff take place
- Pastor Peter stepping back from certain responsibilities, including being Lead Pastor, but continuing to be a Pastor at Emmanuel, and to preach and teach.
- The board will be asking the congregation to ratify a call to Pastor Dan Dayton to the role of Lead Pastor that would start in January of 2025.
- Pray for some of the details that are being worked out.
- New Deacons; Pete Stever, Dawn Kerr, and Paul Cairns
- New Elder; Ken Conley.

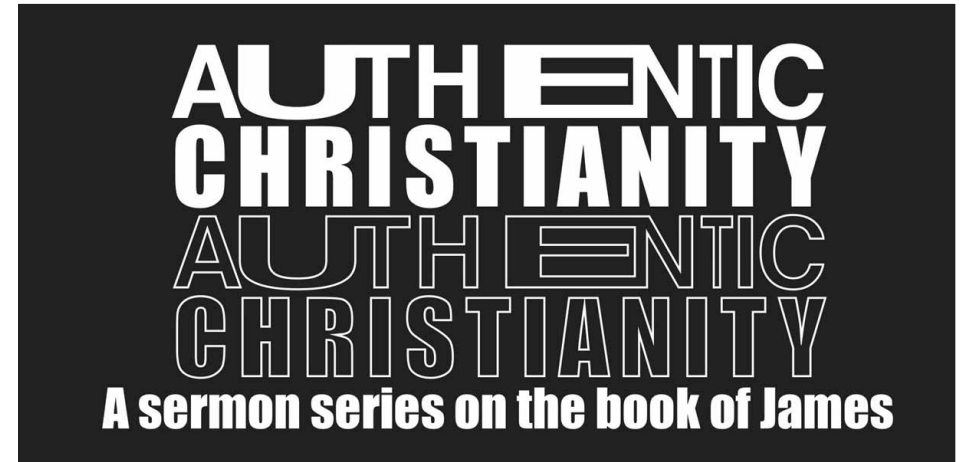
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6. Read Luke 12:16-21. What was the main problem of the rich man in this parable. How similar is this to what James has to say?

Why did Jesus call him a fool?

What is necessary for us to be rich towards God?

7. James 4:17 says, "Anyone, then, who knows the good he ought to do and doesn't do it, it is sin for them." James is saying that now you know how you should live, and how you should make plans, if you don't, for you it is a sin. What do you think needs to change in your own life in order to live this way?

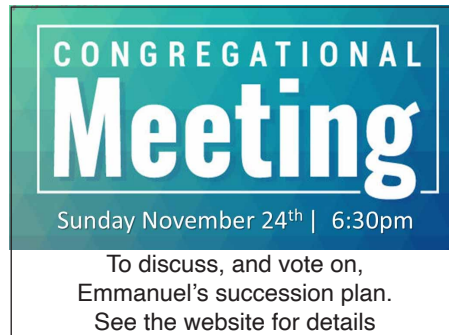


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Psalm 90:12

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TIME IS PRECIOUS - _____ (James 4:13-14)

James 4:13-14 Making plans:

What is your life?

1 Cor 10:31

Ecc 12:13-14

You are a mist:

Gal 2:20

TIME IS A GIFT FROM GOD - _____ (James 4:15-16)

James 4:15 Instead you ought to say, _____

Romans 12:1-2 Knowing the will of God:

1.

2.

3.

James 4:16 As it is, you boast in your arrogant schemes. All such boasting is

Luke 12:16-21 Parable of the rich fool:

How do I become rich toward God?

TIME IS SHORT - _____ (James 4:17)

James 4:17 If anyone, then, knows the good they ought to do and doesn't do it,

1. When you think of the way you live your life, what importance do you think you place on how you spend your time? Do you think you spend your time in the way that God wants you to spend your time?

2. Psalm 90:12 says, "Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom." What do you think this means, practically? How does, "numbering our days" give us a heart of wisdom?

3. Read James 4:13-17. What is the main point James is making in these verses?

What do you think is the primary problem with the people he is addressing?

4. James says that we should first say, "if it is the Lord's will, we will do this or that," (v.15). Romans 12:1-2 gives us a way of discerning the will of God. Identify the key requirements. Explain each of these elements.

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If you are going to live according to the will of God, what will be necessary in your life? What needs to change from the way you are currently living?

5. In verse 14, James asks the question: What is your life? How would you define the purpose of life? How Biblical is your description? Do some research and come up with a Biblical definition of life.
(Start with the following verses: 1 Cor 10:31; Ecc 12:13-14; Gal 2:20; Phil 1:21; Phil 3:7-11)