

**FOR WHAT IS YOUR
LIFE: IT IS EVEN A VAPOUR?
(James 4:14)**

James 4:13-15

13 Go to now, ye that say, To day or to morrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain:

14 **Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.**

15 For that ye ought to say, If the Lord will, we shall live, and do this, or that.(KJV)

James 4:14 ... a vapour, (KJV)

Job 7:1-10

1 Is there not an appointed time to man upon earth? are not his days also like the days of an hireling?

2 As a servant earnestly desireth the shadow, and as an hireling looketh for the reward of his work:

3 So am I made to possess months of vanity, and wearisome nights are appointed to me.

4 When I lie down, I say, When shall I arise, and the night be gone? and I am full of tossings to and fro unto the dawning of the day.

5 My flesh is clothed with worms and clods of dust; my skin is broken, and become loathsome.

6 My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle, and are spent without hope.

7 O remember that my life is wind: mine eye shall no more see good.

8 The eye of him that hath seen me shall see me no more: thine eyes are upon me, and I am not.

9 As the cloud is consumed and vanisheth away: so he that goeth down to the grave shall come up no more.

10 He shall return no more to his house, neither shall his place know him any more.(KJV)

Job 9:24-26

24 The earth is given into the hand of the wicked: he covereth the faces of the judges thereof; if not, where, and who is he?

25 Now my days are swifter than a post: they flee away, they see no good.

26 They are passed away as the swift ships: as the eagle that hasteth to the prey.(KJV)

Job 14:1-2

1 Man that is born of a woman is of few days, and full of trouble.

2 He cometh forth like a flower, and is cut down: he fleeth also as a shadow, and continueth not.(KJV)

Job 14:5

5 Seeing his days are determined, the number of his months are with thee, thou hast appointed his bounds that he cannot pass;(KJV)

Job 14:10-12

10 But man dieth, and wasteth away: yea, man giveth up the ghost, and where is he?

11 As the waters fail from the sea, and the flood decayeth and drieth up:

12 So man lieth down, and riseth not: till the heavens be no more, they shall not awake, nor be raised out of their sleep.(KJV)

Job 14:14

14 If a man die, shall he live again? all the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come.(KJV)

Ps 39:4-6

4 LORD, make me to know mine end, and the measure of my days, what it is; that I may know how frail I am.

5 Behold, thou hast made my days as an handbreadth; and mine age is as nothing before thee: verily every man at his best state is altogether vanity. Selah.

6 Surely every man walketh in a vain shew: surely they are disquieted in vain: he heapeth up riches, and knoweth not who shall gather them.(KJV)

Ps 89:46-48

46 How long, LORD? wilt thou hide thyself for ever? shall thy wrath burn like fire?

47 Remember how short my time is: wherefore hast thou made all men in vain?

48 What man is he that liveth, and shall not see death? shall he deliver his soul from the hand of the grave? Selah.(KJV)

Ps 90:5-7

5 Thou carriest them away as with a flood; they are as a sleep: in the morning they are like grass which groweth up.

6 In the morning it flourisheth, and groweth up; in the evening it is cut down, and withereth.

7 For we are consumed by thine anger, and by thy wrath are we troubled.(KJV)

James 1:9-12

9 Let the brother of low degree rejoice in that he is exalted:

10 But the rich, in that he is made low: because as the flower of the grass he shall pass away.

11 For the sun is no sooner risen with a burning heat, but it withereth the grass, and the flower thereof falleth, and the grace of the fashion of it perisheth: so also shall the rich man fade away in his ways.

12 Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.(KJV)

1 Pet 1:23-25

23 Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.

24 For all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away:

25 But the word of the Lord endureth for ever. And this is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you.(KJV)

1 Pet 4:7-8

7 But the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer.

8 And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins.(KJV)

I Jn 2:16-19

16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

17 And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

18 Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time.

19 They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would no doubt have continued with us: but they went out, that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us.(KJV)

James 4:14 ... additional scriptures (KJV)

Ps 90:9-12

9 For all our days are passed away in thy wrath: we spend our years as a tale that is told.

10 The days of our years are threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength they be fourscore years, yet is their strength labour and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away.

11 Who knoweth the power of thine anger? even according to thy fear, so is thy wrath.

12 So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom. (KJV)

Eccl 3:18-22

18 I said in mine heart concerning the estate of the sons of men, that God might manifest them, and that they might see that they themselves are beasts.

19 For that which befalleth the sons of men befalleth beasts; even one thing befalleth them: as the one dieth, so dieth the other; yea, they have all one breath; so that a man hath no preeminence above a beast: for all is vanity.

20 All go unto one place; all are of the dust, and all turn to dust again.

21 **Who knoweth the spirit of man that goeth upward, and the spirit of the beast that goeth downward to the earth?**

22 Wherefore I perceive **that there is nothing better, than that a man should rejoice in his own works; for that is his portion: for who shall bring him to see what shall be after him?**(KJV)

Eccl 6:11-12

11 Seeing there be many things that increase vanity, what is man the better?

12 For who knoweth what is good for man in this life, **all the days of his vain life which he spendeth as a shadow?** for who can tell a man what shall be after him under the sun? (KJV)

Eccl 9:3-6

3 This is an evil among all things that are done under the sun, that there is one event unto all: yea, also the heart of the sons of men is full of evil, and madness is in their heart while they live, and after that they go to the dead.

4 For to him that is joined to all the living there is hope: for a living dog is better than a dead lion.

5 **For the living know that they shall die: but the dead know not any thing, neither have they any more a reward; for the memory of them is forgotten.**

6 Also their love, and their hatred, and their envy, is now perished; neither have they any more a portion for ever in any thing that is done under the sun.(KJV)

Eccl 9:10

10 Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; **for there is no work, nor (1)device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest.**(KJV)

Definition:(1)Device2808 cheshbown (khesh-bone');

intelligence: KJV-- account, device, reason.

contrivance;[A plan, especially an ingenious plan] scheme, project, design, outline, program, idea, conception, flow chart, projection, undertaking, method, system, tactics, procedure, treatment, intention, purpose, proposal, policy, course of action, plot, conspiracy, strategy, stratagem, arrangement, way of doing things, itinerary, prospectus, blueprint, schema, scenario, game plan

Eccl 12:7

7 Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and **the spirit shall return unto God who gave it.**(KJV)

Luke 12:19-23

19 And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; **take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry.**

20 **But God said unto him, Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided?**

21 So is he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.

22 And he said unto his disciples, Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat; neither for the body, what ye shall put on.

23 The life is more than meat, and the body is more than raiment.(KJV)

John 6:26-27

26 Jesus answered them and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, **Ye seek me, not because ye saw the miracles, but because ye did eat of the loaves, and were filled.**

27 **Labour not for the meat which perisheth,** but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you: for him hath God the Father sealed.

Acts 20:22-24

22 And now, behold, I go bound in the spirit unto Jerusalem, not knowing the things that shall befall me there:

23 Save that the Holy Ghost witnesseth in every city, saying that bonds and afflictions abide me.

24 **But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself,** so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God.(KJV)

Acts 24:25

25 And as he reasoned of righteousness, temperance, and judgment to come, Felix trembled, and answered, Go thy way for this time; when I have a convenient season, I will call for thee.

***1 Cor 7:29-31**

29 But this I say, **brethren, the time is short: it remaineth, that both they that have wives be as though they had none;**

30 And they that weep, as though they wept not; and they that rejoice, as though they rejoiced not; and they that buy, as though they possessed not;

31 And they that use this world, as not abusing it: for the fashion of this world passeth away.

2 Cor 5:9-11

9 Wherefore we labour, that, whether present or absent, we may be accepted of him.

10 For **we must all appear** before the judgment seat of Christ; **that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.**

11 **Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men;** but we are made manifest unto God; and I trust also are made manifest in your consciences.(KJV)

Heb 9:27

27 And as **it is appointed unto men once to die,** but after this the judgment:(KJV)

1 Pet 4:17-19

17 For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God?

18 And if the **(1)righteous (2)scarcely** be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear?

19 Wherefore let them **that suffer according to the will of God** commit the keeping of their souls to him in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator.(KJV)

Definitions:(1) Righteous 1342 dikaios- **righteous, observing divine laws** used of him whose way of thinking, feeling, and acting is wholly conformed to the will of God

(2) Scarcely-3433 molis- **with difficulty, hardly, not easily,** that is, scarcely, **very rarely**