

This week has been a horrible time for many folks trying to travel about the country. I know several who couldn't get to their destinations due to inclement weather (too much of the white stuff). Of course that goes both ways. There are those who were snowed in and had to extend their stays - too bad, right? Getting where we need to be is vital, isn't it? Whether it's work or play, it's important for us to keep our schedules. We're so careful to plan every moment of our lives that when something like a blizzard comes along and knocks us off our time table, it's just downright inconvenient. Nature can be very rude!

But that's life. No matter how careful our planning, there are always interruptions that pop up and just laugh at our well thought out itineraries. Some of these glitches are mild and merely bothersome, but others, well they can be the mother of all interruptions and leave us struggling to hold it together. I'm often amazed at why so many folks just chance it and try to face life without any God-strength at all? It's incredible, not to mention foolhardy.

James writes, Now listen you who say, 'Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and make money.' Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. Instead, you ought to say, 'If it is the Lord's will we will live and do this or that.'

We're here now, we're aware of now. God's there now! He knows the directions our lives need to travel. The Bible exhorts us to trust God and not to lean - or trust - in our own understanding. Why? Because our view is limited, we can't see the road for the snow!

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