

## Me, Self-Sufficient?

Text: James 4:13-17

Topic: The Sin of Self-Sufficiency

Theme: 2021 – A Purposefully Different Year

### Introduction:

God may choose to put me on my \_\_\_\_\_ because it is there that I can see Him the \_\_\_\_\_.

#### 1. Get the \_\_\_\_\_:

- a. He has a \_\_\_\_\_.
  - i. James 4:13a – “Go to now, ye that say, Today or tomorrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year,”
- b. He had a \_\_\_\_\_.
  - i. James 4:13b – “and buy and sell”
- c. He has a \_\_\_\_\_.
  - i. James 4:13c – “and get gain.”

#### 2. See His \_\_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

- a. Self-Sufficiency will leave \_\_\_\_\_ out every time. (James 4:13)
  - i. Prideful \_\_\_\_\_
  - ii. Presumptuous \_\_\_\_\_
  - iii. Personal Application:
    1. Remember the Rich Young Fool? (Luke 12:16-20)
      - a. See the Predicament: Look what I have
      - b. See the Plan: Look what I can do
      - c. See the Problem: I am the solution
      - d. See the Promise: Death comes knocking...
- b. Self-Sufficiency never sees \_\_\_\_\_ as God sees it. (James 4:14)
  - i. Life is \_\_\_\_\_ (James 4:14a)
  - ii. Life is \_\_\_\_\_ (James 4:14b)
  - iii. Life is \_\_\_\_\_ (James 4:14c)
  - iv. Life is \_\_\_\_\_ (James 4:14d)
- c. Self-Sufficiency has no \_\_\_\_\_ in the believer's life. (James 4:15)
  - i. Here's what I ought to say.....
  - ii. If the Lord wills it, I will
  - iii. Where We Get Caught:
    1. Self-Sufficiency in \_\_\_\_\_
    2. Self-Sufficiency in \_\_\_\_\_
  - iv. Here is God's Will – seek Him \_\_\_\_\_
    1. \_\_\_\_\_ in Total Dependence Upon God
    2. \_\_\_\_\_ in Total Obedience to God's Word
- d. Self-Sufficiency is \_\_\_\_\_. (James 4:16-17)
  - i. It is sin to \_\_\_\_\_
  - ii. It is sin not to \_\_\_\_\_ with what God \_\_\_\_\_.

iii. Biblical Illustrations of Self-Sufficiency

1. King \_\_\_\_\_ - Isaiah 7:10-14
2. King \_\_\_\_\_ – I Samuel 13:8-14; I Samuel 15:1-23
3. King \_\_\_\_\_ – II Samuel 11
4. \_\_\_\_\_ – Genesis 13-19

Conclusion: Victory is Possible in Christ!

Question: Am I choosing to live in the sin of self-sufficiency?