



ARROGANCE

Secrets of the Soul

PRACTICING A CONSISTENT CHRISTIAN WALK:

A Study in the book of James

“SELF SUFFICIENCY”

James 4:11-17

'Secrets of the Soul' **James 4:13-17 (ESV)**

¹³ Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go into such and such a town and spend a year there and trade and make a profit"—¹⁴ yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes. ¹⁵ Instead you ought to say, "If the Lord wills, we will live and do this or that."

*¹⁶ As it is, **you boast in your arrogance.** All such boasting is evil.*

¹⁷ So whoever knows the right thing to do and fails to do it, for him it is sin.

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- **I. Prohibition Against SLANDER.**
{Defaming Another} (vs.11)
- **Def: 'To make false charges or misrepresentations against a person's character or reputation.'**
[Purposing to damage a person]

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- **II. Prohibition on INSULTS: “to speak against His brother”**

Matthew 7:1-5 Speck and beam lesson.

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- III. Prohibition on CRITICISM: “Judges His brother” (vs.12)
- “judges” – to insult in a condescending way;
 - A. God is the **AUTHOR** of the Law:
 - B. God is the **JUDGE** of the Law:
 - C. God is the **SAVIOR** from the Law:

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IV. Prohibition against PRIDE: "your arrogance" (vs.13-17)

- Planning without God: (vs.13)
- Failing to Recognize uncertainties: (vs.14)
- Life's Disclaimer: (vs.15)
- Overwhelmed with Arrogance: (vs.16)

Conclusion: ‘Secrets of the Soul’

The Whole Chapter in Review:

- The Spirit is jealously pursuing you.
- God gives grace to the Humble.
- Speak to others in an edifying manner.
- Everything “if the Lord wills”