



BUYING WITHOUT MONEY

¹³ 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.” ¹⁴ 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. ¹⁵ Instead, you ought to say, “If it is the Lord’s will, we will live and do this or that.” ¹⁶ As it is, you boast in your arrogant schemes. All such boasting is evil. ¹⁷ If anyone, then, knows the good they ought to do and doesn’t do it, it is sin for them.

JAMES 4:13-17 NIV

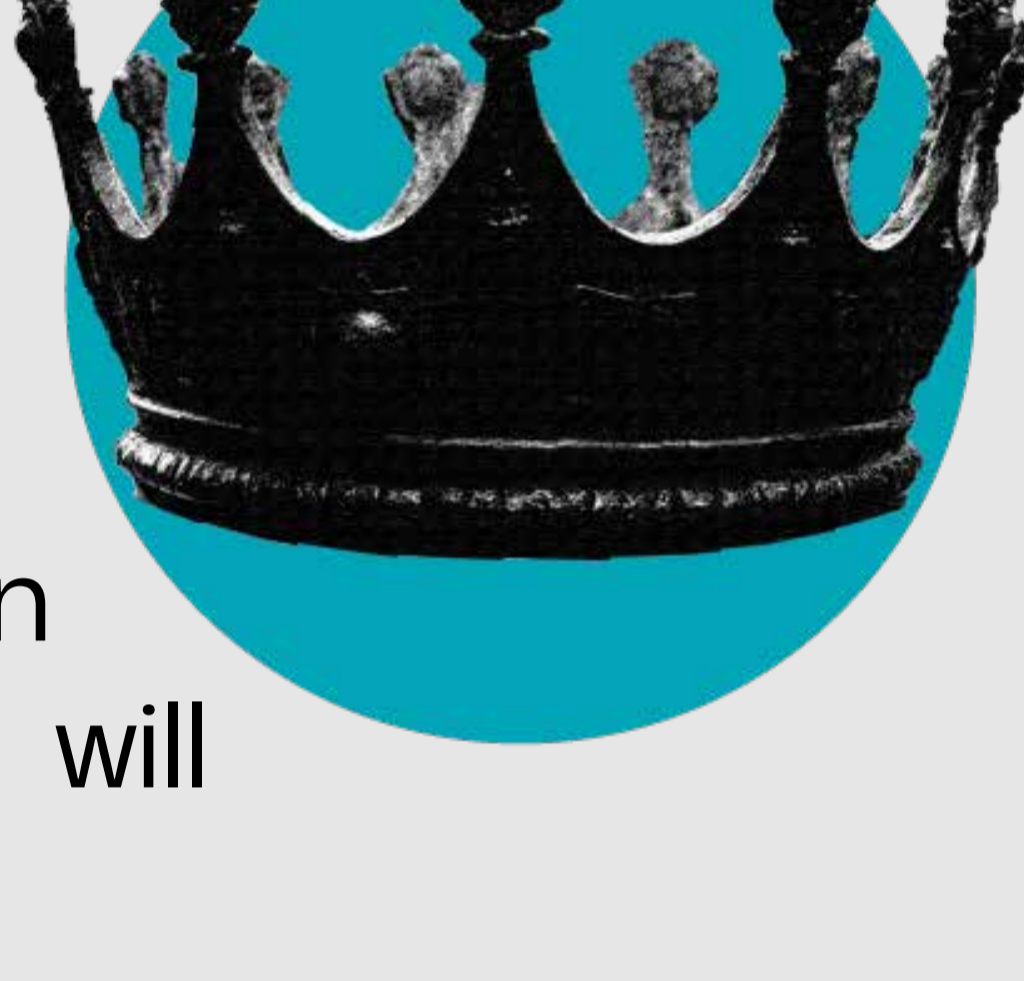
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MATTHEW 6:24 NIV

SAYING, “IF THE LORD WILLS,” MEANS:

1 Acting consistently as a prophet, not as a king

⁴ Finally, all the elders of Israel met at Ramah to discuss the matter with Samuel. ⁵ “Look,” they told him, “you are now old, and your sons are not like you. Give us a king to judge us like all the other nations have.” ⁶ Samuel was displeased with their request and went to the Lord for guidance. ⁷ “Do everything they say to you,” the Lord replied, “for they are rejecting me, not you. They don’t want me to be their king any longer. ⁸ Ever since I brought them from Egypt they have continually abandoned me and followed other gods. And now they are giving you the same treatment. ⁹ Do as they ask, but solemnly warn them about the way a king will reign over them.”



1 SAMUEL 8:4-9 NLT

¹ Satan rose up against Israel and incited David to take a census of Israel. ² So David said to Joab and the commanders of the troops, “Go and count the Israelites from Beersheba to Dan. Then report back to me so that I may know how many there are.” ³ But Joab replied, “May the Lord multiply his troops a hundred times over. My lord the king, are they not all my lord’s subjects? Why does my lord want to do this? Why should he bring guilt on Israel?”

1 CHRONICLES 21:1-3 NIV

¹³ Oh that My people would listen to Me, That Israel would walk in My ways! ¹⁴ I would quickly subdue their enemies And turn My hand against their adversaries. ¹⁵ Those who hate the Lord would pretend to obey Him, And their time of punishment would be forever. ¹⁶ But I would feed you with the finest of the wheat, And with honey from the rock I would satisfy you.

PSALM 81:13-16 NASB

SAYING, “IF THE LORD WILLS,” MEANS:

2 Honoring Him continually as the owner of everything

The earth is the Lord’s, and everything in it. The world and all its people belong to him.

PSALM 24:1 NLT

⁹ Honor the Lord with your wealth, with first fruits of all your produce; ¹⁰ Then will your barns be filled with plenty, with new wine your vats will overflow.

PROVERBS 3:9-10 NABRE

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SAYING, “IF THE LORD WILLS,” MEANS:

3 Using my influence for His purposes

⁵⁷ As evening approached, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who had himself become a disciple of Jesus. ⁵⁸ Going to Pilate, he asked for Jesus’ body, and Pilate ordered that it be given to him. ⁵⁹ Joseph took the body, wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, ⁶⁰ and placed it in his own new tomb that he had cut out of the rock. He rolled a big stone in front of the entrance to the tomb and went away.



MATTHEW 27:57-60 NIV