

Faith Alive!

James 4:13-17

Do you want to know how to make God laugh? Tell Him your plans!

C. D. or D.V.? – James 4:13-17

Carpe Diem – ‘seize the day’

“Seize the day, boys: make your lives extraordinary!”

Deo Volente – ‘if God wills,’ ‘God willing’

Ptolemy or Copernicus



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Deo Volente

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- **Prov 27:1**
- **Job 9:25,26**
- **Ps 102:11,3; Ps 103:15,16; Ps 90:10; Ps 39:4-6**
- **Luke 12:13-21**

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- Acts 18:21
- I Cor 4:19
- I Cor 16:7

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**Ignoring God – an arrogant evil
(vs. 16, 17)**

- **The error of *Invictus*:
you are not the master of your fate
and captain of your soul!**

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Personal Application:

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See Acts 15:36ff; 16:6-10

- Make your plans in humility and dependence – knowing that His will may not be yours.**
- Involve God in the process – don't just ask Him to bless your plans after they have been made.**
- “D.V.” – before, in the middle, and after!**

When you plan, have the bible in one hand, pen and paper in the other hand, and both knees on the floor!

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Rest in peace, knowing it's not all up to you...

Before you go to bed tonight, leave all your problems with God. He'll be up all night anyway.

Do not feel totally, personally, irrevocably responsible for everything. That's My job. (signed: God)