**God’s Plans & Our Plans**

**Matthew 5:31-37**

**Acts 16:1-10**

There are lots of "Plans” or “Resolutions” in life – what we THINK are backup choices. It is very important for each of us to know how to deal with them as it pertains to God’s Plans for us.

**1. Have a (Hebrews 10:22).** ***Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.***

(Romans 4:19-20) And not being weak in faith, he did not consider his own body, already dead (since he was about a hundred years old), and the deadness of Sarah's womb. {20} He did not waver at the promise of God through unbelief, but was strengthened in faith, giving glory to God,

***Hebrews 13:6*** ***"The LORD is my helper; I will not fear. What can man do to me?"***

***(Job 13:15) Though He slay me, yet will I trust Him. Even so, I will defend my own ways before Him.***

***(Luke 12:4-5) "And I say to you, My friends, do not be afraid of those who kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do. {5} "But I will show you whom you should fear: Fear Him who, after He has killed, has power to cast into hell; yes, I say to you, fear Him!***

Deep faith accepts what happens to us in life as God's choice for us. ***(Romans 8:28) And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.***

***(Psalms 16:8) I have set the LORD always before me; Because He is at my right hand I shall not be moved.***

Paul's experience in prison --***(Philippians 1:12-14;19) But I want you to know, brethren, that the things which happened to me have actually turned out for the furtherance of the gospel, {13} so that it has become evident to the whole palace guard, and to all the rest, that my chains are in Christ; {14} and most of the brethren in the Lord, having become confident by my chains, are much more bold to speak the word without fear… {19}"I know this shall turn to my salvation through your prayer, and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ”***

**2. Have A . *(2 Timothy 1:12) For this reason I also suffer these things; nevertheless I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day.***

***Esther 4:16… And so I will go to the king, which is against the law; and if I perish, I perish!"***

***(Ephesians 4:14) we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting,***

***(Luke 8:13) "But the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, who believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away.***

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***(Leviticus 19:34) 'The stranger who dwells among you shall be to you as one born among you, and you shall love him as yourself; for you were strangers in the land of Egypt: I am the LORD your God.***

***(Philippians 2:4) Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.***

***(1 John 3:16) By this we know love, because He laid down His life for us. And we also ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.***

***(John 15:13) "Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends.***

It seems that Paul had not even considered Troas. ***(2 Corinthians 2:12) Furthermore, when I came to Troas to preach Christ's gospel, and the Lord opened a door to me***,

As it turned out Troas was a place where Paul did much work. ***(2 Timothy 4:13) Bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas when you come; and the books, especially the parchments.***