

Effective Trip Planning - Week 2 June 19, 2022

Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails. Proverbs 19:21 NIV

<sup>5</sup> Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. <sup>6</sup> Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take. **Proverbs 3:5-6 NLT** 

Show me the right path, O Lord; point out the road for me to follow. **Psalm 25:4 NLT** 

## YOUR <u>DIRECTION</u>, NOT <u>YOUR INTENTIONS</u>, DETERMINES <u>YOUR DESTINATION</u>.

"The direction you are currently traveling – relationally, financially, spiritually, and the list goes on and on – will determine where you end up in each of those respective arenas." Andy Stanley

## YOU CAN'T GET TO WHERE YOU WANT TO BE UNLESS YOU KNOW WHERE YOU ARE.

Because of the privilege and authority God has given me, I give each of you this warning: Don't think you are better than you really are. Be honest in your evaluation of yourselves, measuring yourselves by the faith God has given us. Romans 12:3 NLT

Examine yourselves to see if your faith is genuine. Test yourselves. Surely you know that Jesus Christ is among you; if not, you have failed the test of genuine faith. 2 Corinthians 13:5 NLT

<sup>22</sup> But don't just listen to God's word. You must do what it says. Otherwise, you are only fooling yourselves. <sup>23</sup> For if you listen to the word and don't

obey, it is like glancing at your face in a mirror. <sup>24</sup> You see yourself, walk away, and forget what you look like. **James 1:22-24 NLT** 

# TO GET FROM WHERE WE DON'T WANT TO BE TO WHERE WE DO WANT TO BE REQUIRES TWO THINGS: <u>TIME AND A CHANGE OF DIRECTION</u>.

#### 1. TIME

- You didn't get here overnight, and you won't get to where you want to be overnight.
- If you drive two hours in the wrong direction you will have to drive two hours in the right direction just to get back to where you started. <a href="It takes time">It takes time</a>!
- Most people fail to arrive not for lack of desire, <u>but lack of</u> commitment.

#### 2. CHANGE OF DIRECTION

- Most people focus on their problems or symptoms and fail to realize they have chosen to <u>live in the wrong direction</u>.
- They need a new direction.
- Life is a series of mid-course corrections.
- The course you are on will take you exactly where you are headed.
- God wants us to trust Him completely.
- We must be willing to surrender control and trust His path.

### Next steps for me today...

- Evaluate where you are headed.
- Determine where you really are currently.
- Change the path that you are on.
- Fully trust Jesus to teach you what steps and path to follow.

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