



Vision 20/20
"My Plan" — Part 2
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Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

My _____. His _____. Our _____. Jeremiah 29:11

1. How does God _____ His plan?

James 1:22-25 "Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says." ²³ Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror ²⁴ and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. ²⁵ But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do."

Six ways to develop our "_____"

1.) Good listening _____ patience

Poor listening diminishes another person, while good listening invites them to _____ and to _____.

2.) Good listening is an _____ of love

To _____ someone that you love them, take the _____ to listen to them.

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3.) Good listening _____ perceptive questions

Proverbs 18:2 "Fools find no pleasure in understanding but delight in airing their own opinions."

4.) Good listening is _____

James 1:19 "My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry"

5.) Good listening _____ us to speak well

We should listen with the _____ of _____ that we may _____ the _____ of God.

Proverbs 18:13 "To answer before listening—that is folly and shame."

6.) Good listening _____ our relationship with God

2. God's plan is His plan, _____

His will for our lives is not our own plans with His blessing. It is **HIS** _____ on **HIS** _____.

Philippians 2:13 "for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose."

_____ God works out His plan for our lives:

- Sometimes, God shows us _____ what He is up to.
- Sometimes, God gives us _____ along the way.
- Sometimes, we may never know _____.
- All the time, God is at work – _____!

3. God's plan does not include a _____ lifestyle

Galatians 6:7 "Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows."

God _____ use you when you have _____ in your life. Get _____ of it!

God's plan is _____ than our _____. Our job:

- _____ our plans
- Live _____ from sin
- Stay connected in _____
- _____ to His Word
- _____ to His leading