

THE WISDOM OF MAKING PLANS

PROVERBS 16:9
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SERMON OUTLINE

NOTES

D. God's plans are better (**Genesis 50:20**)

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The heart of man plans his way,
but the Lord establishes his steps.

SERMON REFLECTIONS

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1. In what ways can we practically commit our plans to the Lord?
2. Where in your life right now are you being a diligent steward with your planning, and where are you tempted to cut corners?
3. Why do you think people have such a hard time accepting God's supreme sovereignty?
4. Look at Genesis 16 (Sarai and Hagar) or Genesis 27 (Jacob and Rebekah's scheme) — both are examples of people trying to "help" God's promises along through their own methods. Where might you be tempted to force an outcome instead of trusting God's timing?
5. If God's plans truly can't be thwarted (Job 42:2), how should that truth shape your response the next time your own plans fall apart?

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6. Genesis 50:20 ends Joseph's story with "God meant it for good." Can you think of a time in your own life where a plan you didn't choose (or one that failed) turned out to be part of something better that God was doing? How does looking back build your trust for planning forward?