

SERMON OUTLINE FOR STUDENTS

PROVERBS: WISDOM FOR TODAY — WEEK 8

TITLE: *The Wisdom of Making Plans*

MAIN SCRIPTURE PASSAGE: Proverbs 16:9

SPEAKER: Pastor David Morgan

WORDS I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND

I. PROPER PLANNING

- A. As image bearers, we reflect the image of God when we plan. **(2 Kings 19:25, Psalm 139:16, Genesis 1:27)**
- B. We are to be good stewards **(Proverbs 21:5, Proverbs 19:2)**
- C. We are instructed to make plans to achieve a goal. **(Proverbs 6:6, Proverbs 16:9, Luke 14:28-30)**

II. PRESUMPTUOUS PLANNING

- A. We can plan so much we forget about God **(James 4:13-14)**
- B. We can take credit for plans **(Deuteronomy 4:28-37)**
- C. We can plan for evil **(Proverbs 6:18, Psalm 37:12)**
- D. We can take control of God's plans **(Genesis 16:2, Genesis 27:10, 2 Samuel 7:12-13, Acts 16:6-10)**

III. PROVIDENTIAL PLANNING

- A. God is the Sovereign King **(Isaiah 46:8-11, Psalm 115:3, Proverbs 21:1)**
- B. God is the Righteous Judge **(Proverbs 16:2, Jeremiah 17:9, Proverbs 21:2, Luke 16:15, Psalm 19:14)**
- C. God's plans will never be thwarted **(Job 42:2, Psalm 33:10-11 {NIV})**
- D. God's plans are better **(Genesis 50:20)**

SOMETHING NEW TO ME

WHAT I HEARD ABOUT THE GOSPEL

SERMON REFLECTIONS

1. In what ways can we practically commit our plans to the Lord?

2. 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?

ATTRIBUTES OF GOD I HEARD (CIRCLE THE ONES MENTIONED)

Good	Wise	Wrathful	Merciful
Just	Jealous	Faithful	Perfect
Holy	Gracious	Patient	Love
Other:			

KEY WORDS (WRITE WHAT THESE WORDS MEAN)

Stewards —

Presumptuous —

Providential —

Thwarted —

NOTES OR DRAWINGS ABOUT WHAT I HEARD