

# Knowing God's Plan for Your Life

## Talk #13

**Speaker & Length** Spiritual Director, 20 minutes

Scripture: Jeremiah 29:11; Proverbs 3:5,6; Romans 12:1,2; II Peter 1:3-11; Matthew 6:33; Psalms 119;105; John 15:16; I Cor 2:9

## Introduction

The working title of this talk is, "Knowing God's Plan For Your Life".

The theme of the first day was "die to self". The second day was "rise in Christ". The theme for today is "go with Christ". This talk should remind the candidates that the church is the body of Christ, not a collection of bricks and mortar. Like any healthy body, the body of Christ is a vital, functioning, body. When the candidates return from the weekend, they should take their place in that body and fulfill their "calling" in the life of grace and follow "God's will for their life"..

## I. The Christian Life

- A. Is a life in grace
- B. Is a life of inter-dependence
  - 1. on Christ
  - 2. on each other
- C. Is maintained by
  - 1. prayer, study, and action
  - 2. practicing faith
  - 3. active involvement in the Body of Christ
- D. Is an active life
  - 1. with involvement in your church, community, school, family, etc.
  - 2. one of serving Christ by serving others.
    - a) "Be palanca to those around you"
    - b) "Be Jesus' lever in your environment"
    - c) "You may be the only Bible some people ever read"

## II. How Do I know God's Plan For My Life

- A. Jeremiah 29:11 – God has a plan for your life!
- B. Romans 12:1-2 – His plan is for you to be a living sacrifice & transform your mind!
- C. Eph 4:22-24 – His plan is for you to be made new in the attitude of your mind!
- D. II Peter 1:3-11 – His plan is for you to grow and mature in Christ.
- E. Matthew 6:33 – His plan is for you to seek first the Kingdom of God.
- F. Colossians 3:12 - His plan is for us to forgive one another!
- G. Philippians 2:4 – His plan is for us to lookout for the interests of others!
- H. Galatians 5:16 – His plan is for you to live in the Spirit!
- I. Proverbs 3:5-6 - His plan is for you to trust in Him and not yourself!

- J. II Corinthians 5:20 – His plan is for you to be His ambassador!
- K. I Corinthians 15:58 – His plan is for you to stand firm!

**III. How Do I Live In God's Plan For My Life?**

- A. Scripture
- B. Prayer
- C. Godly counsel
- D. Holy Spirit Leading
- E. Circumstances – Open doors / Closed doors

The Beyond VN talk will expand this theme with practical examples of how to participate in the Body of Christ.