

BIBLICAL GOAL SETTING

Genesis 24:1-57

What God Says About Planning

If your goals are good, you will be respected (Pr. 11:27 GN)

We should make plans, counting on God to direct us. (Pr.16:9 LB)

A wise man thinks ahead; a fool doesn't, and even brags about it!

(Pr. 13:16 LB) **GENESIS 24:1-57** Eliazar's search for a wife for Isaac illustrates the ten steps of successful goal setting.

1. DETERMINE YOUR _____ (vs.1)

Abraham was now old and well advanced in years, and the LORD had blessed him in every way. (Gen 24:1 NIV)

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2. DEFINE YOUR _____ (vs.2-4)

but will go to my country and my own relatives and get a wife for my son Isaac." (Gen 24:4 NIV)

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3. DISCOVER A _____ (vs. 7)

"The LORD,... spoke to me and promised me on oath, saying, 'To your offspring I will give this land' (Gen 24:7 NIV)

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4. DESCRIBE THE _____ (vs. 7b)

so that you can get a wife for my son from there. (Gen 24:7 NIV)

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Reason:

5. DESIRE IN _____ (vs.12)

Then he prayed, "O LORD, God of my master Abraham, give me success today, and show kindness to my master Abraham. (Gen 24:12 NIV)

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6. DIAGNOSE THE _____ (vs.21,49,58)

(Finding the right girl, gaining consent from her parents, and convincing the girl to go home with him!)

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7. DESIGN A _____ (vs.10-15)

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8. DISCIPLINE YOUR _____ (vs.21,33,49,56)

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Areas of Discipline:

9. DEPOSIT THE _____ (vs.53)

Then the servant brought out gold and silver jewelry and articles of clothing and gave them to Rebekah; he also gave costly gifts to her brother and to her mother. (Gen 24:53 NIV)

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10. DEPEND ON _____ (vs.49-51)

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THREE CAUTIONS

1. _____

It is pleasant to see plans develop. That is why fools refuse to give them up even when they are wrong . (Pr.13:19 LB)

2. _____
So don't be anxious about tomorrow—God will take care of your tomorrow too. Live one day at a time. (Matt. 6:34 LB)

3. _____
We can make our plans, but the final outcome is in God's hands (Pr. 16:1 LB)

Now listen, you who say, Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business, and make money. Instead you ought to say IF it is the Lord's will, we will do this or that (James 4:13-15)