PREPARING FOR THE OPPORTUNITY
Nehemiah 2:1-8

Life Lesson: What God ORIGINATES He ORCHESTRATES

Life Lesson: God is using my CIRCUMSTANCES to PREPARE me to accomplish His PURPOSE for my life
Now I was the cupbearer to the king. Nehemiah 1:11

And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose. Romans 8:28

How To Accomplish My Purpose (Six Steps):
If your goals are good, you will be respected, Proverbs 11:27 (GNT)

1. _____(v.1)

Wise people _____ time for _____time
A wise man thinks ahead; a fool doesn't and even brags about it! Proverbs13:16 (LB)

The wise man looks ahead. The fool attempts to fool himself and won't face facts. Proverbs 14:8

3 Questions to Ask:
- **Where am _____?**
- **Where do _____?**
- **How do _____?**

2. _____ (vv.1-3)

3. _____ (v.5)

3 Questions to Ask:
- **What do I want to _____?**
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2 Common Errors in Goal-Setting:
We set our goals _____
We try to accomplish them _____

4. _____(v.6) (Nehemiah 5:14)
Question: _____?

5. _____(vv.7-8)
Question: _____?

A prudent man foresees the difficulties ahead and prepares for them: the simpleton goes blindly on and suffers the consequences Proverbs 22:3 (Liv)

A sensible man watches for problems ahead and prepares to meet them...Proverbs 27:12 (Liv)

6. _____(v.8A)
Any enterprise is built by wise planning, becomes strong through common sense, and profits wonderfully by keeping abreast of the facts. Proverbs 24:3

Must be willing to ask others _____

Wisest risks are those taken after _____ and _____
We can make our plans, but the final outcome is in God's hands. Proverbs 16:1

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