

The Plan

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God has a plan for my life. I have many plans for my life. Figuring out which plan is from God can sometimes feel like searching for a needle in a haystack. How do you know when you have found the plan from God? It requires a little bit of patience.

Whenever I would have an idea, I would usually jump on it. I would have plans for carrying it out within 24 hours of conceiving the idea. I would begin working on it. I would spend my free time on it. In some cases I spent money on it. And then I would come up with another good idea. And the process would start all over again.

In trying to save time, I have wasted it. I failed to wait and pray about each idea. And I came out disappointed. Whenever you get an idea, pray about it. Ask God if it is truly His plan for your life. Wait and make sure that it is not just a phase or a fad.

Oh, but if I wait, I might not get it done in time. I can't wait, this project is too urgent. Israel was once a slave to Egypt. The Israelites were being mistreated, and someone had to do something! So someone did. Moses killed an Egyptian. Time was of the essence. He couldn't let his people be mistreated anymore! However, God had a different time schedule. He sent Moses to shepherd sheep for forty years (Acts 7:30)! It is not for you to decide when something needs to happen. It is better to wait and pray and confirm that something is from God then to waste time pursuing another good idea.

Book Recommendation:

Visioneering by Andy Stanley

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