

**BIBLE STUDY, JANUARY 11, 2020**  
**PLANS : OUR PLAN & GOD'S PLAN FOR US**  
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**WHAT IS A PLAN ?**

Oxford Dictionary

Noun:

1. A detailed proposal for doing or achieving something eg. research proposal
2. An intention or decision about what one is going to do eg. New Year Resolution

Verb :

1. To decide on and arrange in advance
2. To design or make a plan of something to be made or built.

**BIBLE TEXTS : OUR PLAN**

**Proverbs 16 : 1,3,9 (NLT)**

1 We can make our own plans , but the Lord gives the right answer.

3 Commit your actions to the Lord, and your plans will succeed.

9 We can make our plans, but the Lord determines our steps.

**Proverbs 19: 21 (NLT)**

21 You can make many plans, but the Lord's purpose will prevail.

**Proverbs 20: 18 (NLT)**

18 Plans succeed through good counsel; don't go to war without wise advice.

**Proverbs 15: 22 (NIV)**

22 Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisers they succeed.

**James 1 : 5-6**

5 If you need wisdom, ask our generous God, and he will give it to you. He will not rebuke you for asking.

6 But when you ask him, be sure that your faith is in God alone.

**BIBLE TEXTS : GOD'S PLAN****Jeremiah 29: 11 (NLT)**

11 For I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord. "They are plans for good and not for disaster (evil), to give you a future and a hope.

**Philipians 1: 6 (NLT)**

6 And I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished (completed) on the day when Christ Jesus returns.

**Questions for Group Discussion & Individual Reflection**

1. Have you made any plan(s) or resolution (s) for the New Year ? Yes / No
2. What (kind of ) plan (s) or resolution (s) have you made for yourself this new year and why did you make them

Plan /Resolution 1

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Why Plan /Resolution 1

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Plan /Resolution 2

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Why Plan /Resolution 2

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3. How did you make your new year plan or resolution?
  - a. Did you seek advice or counsel from others ? Yes/No
  - b. From whom did you seek counsel in making your plan (s) or resolution (s)  
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  - c. Did you ask God through prayer for guidance in making them? Yes/No
  - d. Or did you make your new plan or resolution on your own without help from God and others ?
4. Have you committed your plan (s) or resolution (s) to God ? Yes/No