



## **The Gold In My Goals**

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# Scriptural Principles to Goal Setting

## 1. The Principle of Pray-It Down.

Look here, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we are going to a certain town and will stay there a year. We will do business there and make a profit."<sup>14</sup>How do you know what your life will be like tomorrow? Your life is like the morning fog—it's here a little while, then it's gone.<sup>15</sup>What you ought to say is, "If the Lord wants us to, we will live and do this or that."<sup>16</sup>Otherwise you are boasting about your own pretentious plans, and all such boasting is evil. - James 4:13-16 NLT

People may make plans in their minds, but the Lord decides what they will do. - Proverbs 16:9 NCV

I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better.<sup>18</sup>I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people - Ephesians 1:17-18 NIV

## 2. The Principle of Plan-It Through.

Is there anyone here who, planning to build a new house, doesn't first sit down and figure the cost so you'll know if you can complete it?<sup>29</sup>If you only get the foundation laid and then run out of money, you're going to look pretty foolish. Everyone passing by will poke fun at you:<sup>30</sup>'He started something he couldn't finish.' - Luke 14:28-30 MSG

## 3. The Principle of Write-It Up.

And the Lord answered me: "Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so he may run who reads it." - Habakkuk 2:2 ESV

**Write the things which you have seen, and the things which are, and the things which will take place after this. - Revelation 1:19 NKJV**

**(Deut 27:8; 31:19, 22; Isa 8:1; 30:8; Jer 36:2-4; 27-32; Dan 12:4;  
Rev 1:18-19; 14:13; 19:9; 21:5-8)**

#### ***4. The Principle of Speak-It Out.***

**Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. - Hebrews 11:1 NKJV**

**So Jesus said to them, ... for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you.  
- Matthew 17:20 NKJV**

**Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, "I believed, and so I spoke," we also believe, and so we also speak. - 2 Corinthians 4:13 ESV**

#### ***5. The Principle of Press-It On.***

##### ***- In Light of the Prize***

**Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, <sup>14</sup>I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. - Philippians 3:13-14 NKJV**

##### ***- In Spite of the Circumstances***

**Without weakening in his faith, he faced the fact that his body was as good as dead—since he was about a hundred years old—and that Sarah's womb was also dead. <sup>20</sup>Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God. - Romans 4:19-20 NIV**

## **My Next Step This Week...**

- ❑ *Memorize Proverbs 16:9.*
- ❑ *Do the hard work of writing up my goals with pen and paper.*
- ❑ *Speak to the mountains in my life with faith in God!*
- ❑ *Give my life to Jesus as Savior and Lord, for the first time.*