In Spite of it All

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For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. (Jer. 29:11 NIV)

How to progress in my plans in spite of difficult circumstances

I must **S.E.T.** myself up for success.

S PEAK it into existence.

Then God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. (Gen. 1:4 NLT)

Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him, and he will act. (Psalm. 37:5 ESV)

Why should I write down my goal? It allows me to:

- Clarify
- Motivate
- Filter
- Focus
- Celebrate

${f E}_{f NGAGE}$ the power of community.

Two people are better off than one, for they can help each other succeed. If one person falls, the other can reach out and help. But someone who falls alone is in real trouble. (Ecc. 4:9 NLT)

As iron sharpens iron, so a friend sharpens a friend. (Prov. 27:17 NLT)

$T_{\mbox{\scriptsize AKE}}$ your time.

The plans of the diligent lead to profit as surely as haste leads to poverty. (Prov. 21:5)

How to experience God's Plan for me

I must redefine <u>success</u>.

And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them. (Rom. 8:28, NLT)

"For God is working in you, giving you the desire and the power to do what pleases him." (Phil. 2:13, NLT)

Action Step: COMPLETE A LIFE DEVELOPMENT PLAN