

Connecting Processes to Goals. (January 8, 2026)

“Wait on the Lord, and keep His way,
And He shall exalt you to inherit the land.”
(Psalm 37:34)

As we more clearly identify who God is making us to be and the good works He is calling us to do, there is one more important step to turn that vision into reality. That step is to connect a process to each goal. A goal without a process is merely a wish. If we want to get to our promised lands, we need to “keep His way.”

After we identify our goals, we then pray through and discern what God would have us do to meet those goals. Then we simply commit to do those things, faithfully and diligently, until the goals come to pass. If we are doing the right things, the goals will result as a byproduct. We don’t need to waste time or emotional energy worrying about the goals. Our focus is on the process.

But as we close this section on motivation, let me offer two warnings:

1. It is easy to confuse busyness with progress. Complacency often looks like activity, feels like comfort, and sounds like excuses. To avoid this confusion, let God align goals and processes...even if we have already invested in the wrong things. This is called repentance.
2. Our goals will test us like nothing else can because they require all of us. We can respond to work responsibilities by saying, “If I don’t have to, the answer is ‘no.’” We will often respond to meaningful relationships by saying, “If I can, the answer is ‘yes.’” But to our purpose, there is no other acceptable response than to say, “If this is my calling, the answer is ‘absolutely, whatever it takes.’”

Once God has told us about Canaan, there is no going back to life as “normal.” It is either promised land or desert; there is no return to Egypt. The process breaks us and then makes us into who God is calling us to be. And that has been God’s goal from the beginning.