

In today's society, we are used to the microwavable in and out conveniences on every level. From quick foods to drive through banking, to washing machines for cleaning our dishes, drying and ironing our clothes.

Everything is in and out at the press of a button. But it is not so in God's kingdom.

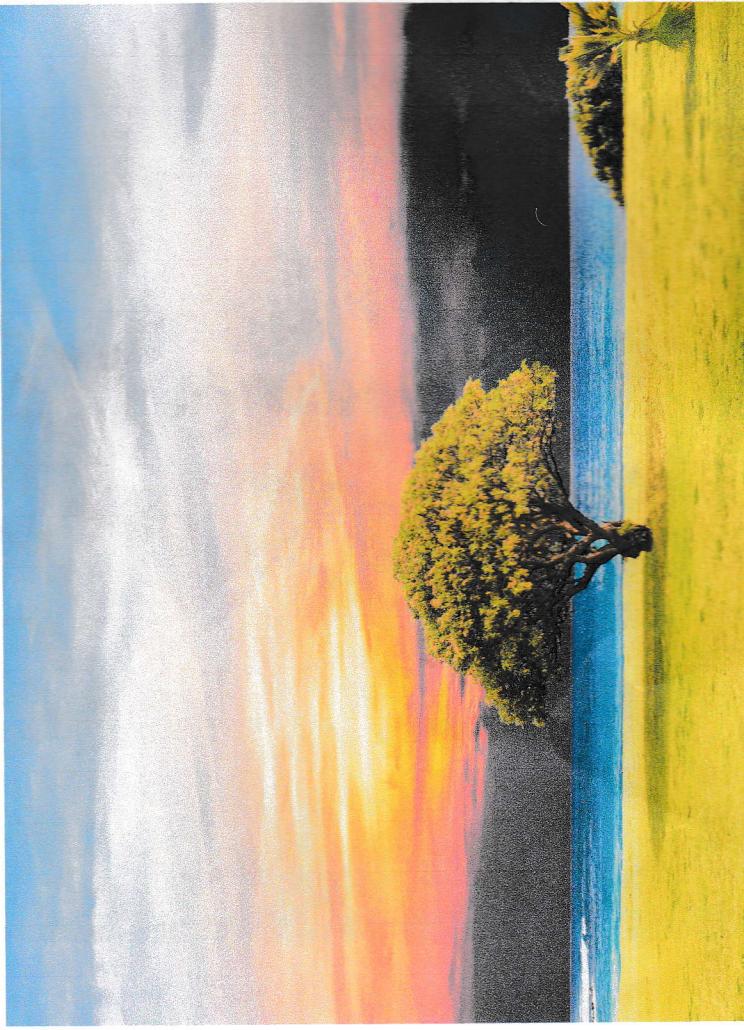
You can't fulfil God's plan and purpose without taking time to - 'Plan with Him' – and to develop all the necessary skills to help you succeed in life and to express His true joy.

The LORD makes firm the steps of the one who delights in Him. (Psalm 37v25 NLT)

God gives His children big dreams to pursue in life. But in order for those dreams to be fulfilled, we must plan with God and not without Him!

We must spend time in training, cooperating with God in a process of personal development to prepare us to be able to carry out His plans for us!

This process includes time, determination and hard work.



Lasting success and joy in life is found in God's presence. As we contemplate His daily presence, we will find contentment and experience His joy. Don't base your life on your circumstances but on God. The key to a successful life and enjoyable journey is to follow God's plan for your life. Basically, this means to obey Him, to follow His lead, and to do whatever He says to do! So many times, we get ahead of him. We plan our lives without God in it and then we ask Him to bless our plans.

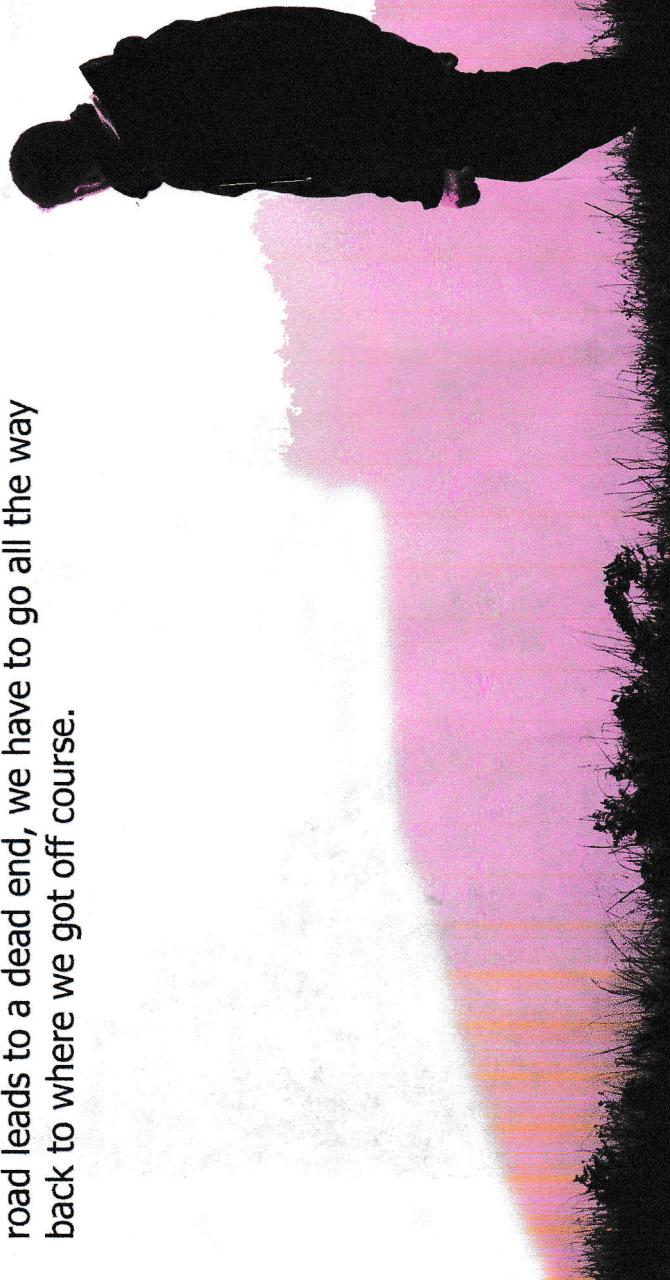
We may think we know the best direction to take or we get impatient with His timing and we get impatient with His timing and we make a wrong turn because it looks quicker or better. The problem is the time we realise that road leads to a dead end, we have to go all the way back to where we got off course.

But the good news is that God is there, waiting to take the lead again and show us the right way to go. The LORD is good and He already has each of our journeys perfectly planned. That is why we must plan with Him. We need to understand who we are as a child of God, and that He loves us so much that He is good and righteous and that we can trust Him!

He says in Isaiah 43v4:

"Since you are precious and honoured in my sight, and because I love you, I will give people in exchange for you, nations in exchange for your life."

We can trust Him to lead us in the direction of His plans that is right for us!



We can trust in Him to correct us when we stray and guide us back on the right path. We can trust Him to guide us with others who are in our care. We can trust Him with our very lives.

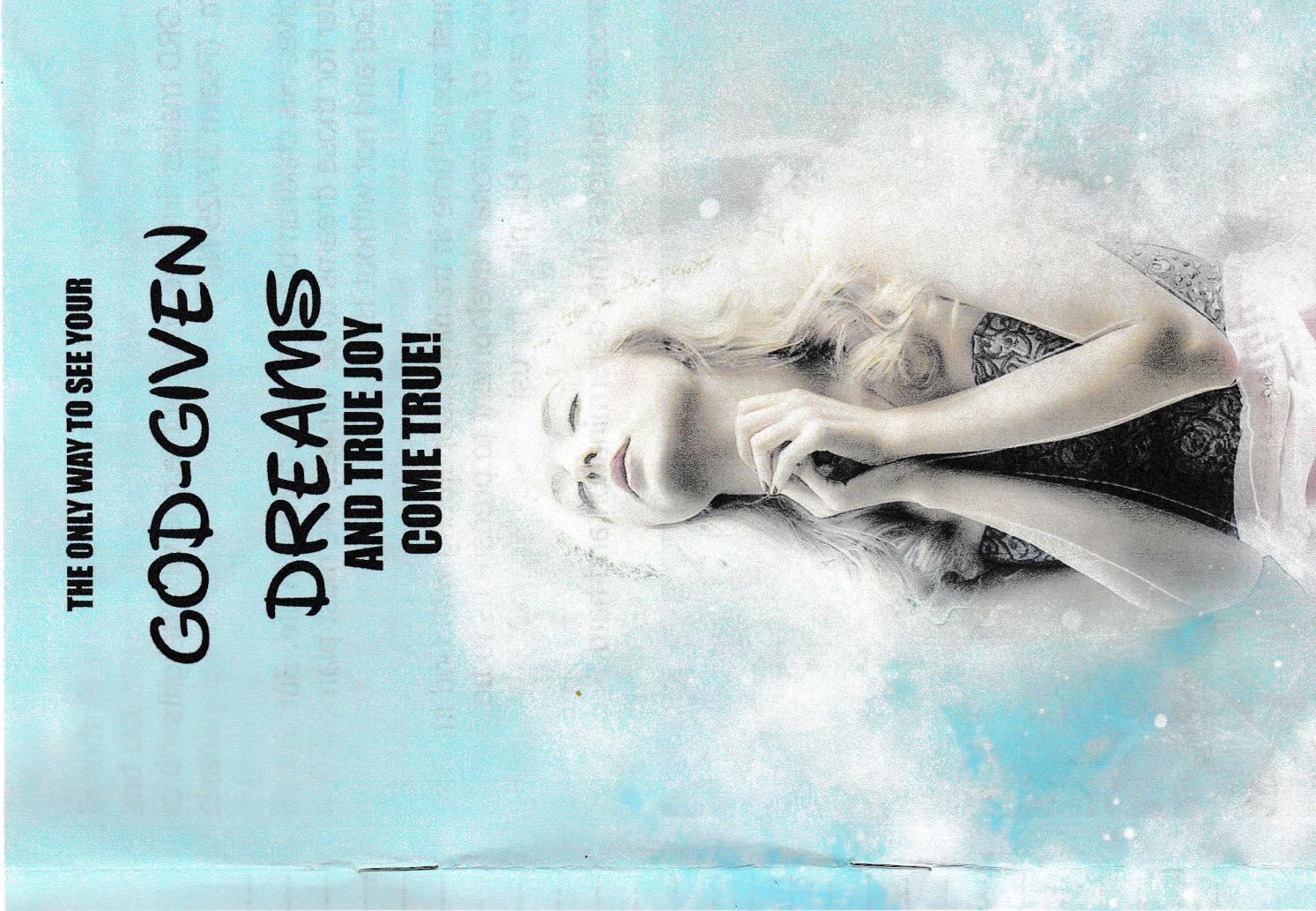
David cried out in Psalm 16v8, saying:  
"I keep my eyes always on the LORD.  
With Him at my right hand, I will not be shaken."

David was referring to the unique sense of security that He has in the LORD. This same security is available today to be experienced by you as a believer. God stood with David throughout his life. Like David, you too can trust the LORD to lead you into all the good He planned for your life long before you were born. Ask the Holy Spirit's help because He knows the way of God's plan for your life and He will always stay with you.

You are PRECIOUS to God!

Write your thoughts here as you study the WORD





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# **GOD-GIVEN DREAMS AND TRUE JOY COME TRUE!**

**Finish with this prayer:**

Dear Father God,

According to your WORD, you said that you direct the steps of the godly.

I pray today and trust you to guide and direct my steps on the journey that you have planned for me and I know that when I get side tracked, you will always be there to keep me on the right path and keep me going.

In JESUS' name I pray – Amen!



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