

Sermon Notes – God Always Calls Us to Follow His Plan
Philippians 3:4-14 and Isaiah 43:18-19

I. God Has _____ Been Like This: He Always _____ to Save His People

“Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.” Isaiah 43:18-19

Genesis 3:9 But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, “Where are you?”
10 And he said, “I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself.” 11 He said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?” 12 The man said, “The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate.” 13 Then the LORD God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.”

14 The LORD God said to the serpent,
“Because you have done this,
cursed are you above all livestock
and above all beasts of the field;
on your belly you shall go,
and dust you shall eat
all the days of your life.

15 I will put enmity between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and her offspring;
he shall bruise your head,
and you shall bruise his heel.”

- God always has _____
- God always plans to _____ His people in trouble
- God always calls us to _____ Him in His plan
- God’s plan for His people from before His _____ of the universe (Ephesians 1:3-6)

II. God Calls Us to Follow _____ Plan Not _____ Plan

- St. Paul was the _____ of the Jews

vs 7-8 Everything Paul accomplished was _____ compared to what Jesus does.

8 Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ 9 and be found in him

v 9 What counts for _____ is not what we do, but what _____ does for us. God makes our life _____ .

v 10-11 True everlasting _____ is in Jesus Christ.

It is plain that all human efforts and life fade away.

God’s plan is to give humans true life that never _____ .

III. Moving Daily in God’s Plan

vs 12 – Not that we Christians are already _____ !!

vs 13 – But we _____ to _____ on looking at God’s plan for _____ , _____ and _____ . (Even after our)

v 14 - _____ call of God in Christ Jesus

- Not letting human achievements make us proud, as if we don’t need God
- Not holding on to problems and sins of the past as if these counted more than God’s plan.
- Not being afraid of tomorrows as if God has no plan.

13 Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, 14 I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.