



DAILY DEVOTION

Matthew 6v11 "give us this day our **daily** bread"

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## The Significance of Planning

**Luke 14v28** "For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not sit down first and **count the cost**, whether he has **enough to finish it** -- 29 "lest, after he has laid the foundation, and is **not able to finish**, all who see it begin to **mock him**, 30 "saying, 'This man **began to build** and was **not able to finish**.'

Welcome to DAY 3 of our Week of Prayer and Fasting for 2020, the year to BUILD (2.0). I pray that God will do a great work in your heart and in your Spirit, may you become a different person after this week. Planning is important for everyone who is serious about building something great. It was Antoine de Saint-Exupery who said, "a goal without a plan is just a wish"; and Alan Lakein also said, "Planning is bringing the future into the present so that you can do something about it now". The Lord commanded Moses to build Him a Tabernacle in the wilderness, He clearly spoke to him about the material he needs to use and where to get it from; He also gave him the pattern and blueprint of how to build this Tabernacle, and He insisted to Moses that he builds according to that pattern **(Exodus 25v1-9)**. This was because the Tabernacle was important to God, so if what you are building is important to you, you will have to plan well for it, just like God.

The above example shows us that it is not only about what we build, but also about how we build and what kind of resources and material are we going to use **(1st Corinthians 3v10-12)**. Developing a plan will help you to count the cost of what you want to build **(Luke 14v28-30)**, and it will help you know and understand what you are trying to build, what will it take, what sacrifices do you have to make, etc. hence during this process, you have to go to friends, leaders, mentors, who will help you answer all these questions.

**PRAYER POINTS:**

1. Thank the Lord for wisdom and understanding as you plan for what you want to build this year.
2. Pray that your plan will cover all the important aspects of what you want to achieve this year.
3. Pray for the relevant resources you need in order to build successfully.
4. Pray and declare that you will start building and finish.
5. Pray for your community to be saved.

**DAILY DECLARATION:** I am developing a great and relevant plan for my goals this year. The Lord gives me wisdom and understanding so that I will cover all the important areas of what I want to build. I will have all the resources I need in order to finish what I want to build, in Jesus' name, amen!