

## Proverbs and planning

### **A. Why should we plan? The need to be a planner**

*The plans of the diligent lead to profit as surely as haste leads to poverty – Proverbs 21:5*

### **B. What should we plan?**

#### **1) The futility of making plans contrary to God**

*There is no wisdom, no insight, no plan that can succeed against the LORD – Proverbs 21:30*

*Do not those who plot evil go astray? But those who plan what is good find love and faithfulness – Proverbs 14:22*

**SO....don't plan evil but good**

### **C. How should we plan?**

#### **1. Make your plans with God – Proverbs 16:1-4**

*To man belong the plans of the heart, but from the LORD comes the reply of the tongue v.1*

*All a man's ways seem innocent to him, but motives are weighed by the LORD v.2*

*Commit to the LORD whatever you do, and your plans will succeed. The LORD works out everything for his own ends v.3-4a*

#### **2. Make your plans with others**

*Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisers they succeed – Proverbs 15:22*

***Make plans by seeking advice; if you wage war, obtain guidance – Proverbs 20:18***

### **3. Make time to review and perhaps change your plans**

***In his heart a man plans his course, but the LORD determines his steps – Proverbs 16:9***

***Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the LORD's purpose that prevails – Proverbs 19:21***

**Conclusion:**