Introduction

- 1. Ephesians 1:4
- 2. God has a pattern for you and me
- 3. We must follow this plan! Hebrews 8:5
- 4. To not follow this plan is not to get the crown of life promised to each who do follow this plan. 2 Timothy 4:8; Revelation 2:10; James 1:12
- 5. Four lessons that we can learn about God's plan

II Discussion of God's plan

- 1. God's plan for the salvation of man
 - a. God's desire is that all men be saved 1 Timothy 2:4
 - b. There is a form or a plan Romans 6:16-18
 - c. God has a pattern for us to live by also Titus 2:7; 1 Timothy 4:12
- 2. God's plan for surrender
 - a. "All to Jesus I surrender..." Matthew 16:24ff; = Luke 9:23
 - b. Family Matthew 10:37 = Luke 14:26; 1 Timothy 5:8
 - c. Our reward Matthew 19:2730
- 3. God's plan for sacrifice
 - a. A sacrifice is a costly presentation Genesis 22:5
 - b. What are we willing to do for treasures in heaven? Matthew 19:21
 - b. God does not want our leftovers Malachi 1:7-8
 - c. God wants our very best Hebrews 13:15
- 4. God plan for sincerity Titus 2:7
 - a. What this means 1 John 3:18; Philippians 1:10, 16
 - b. Not showing partiality James 2:1, 9
 - c. Whose heart are we interested in our own or someone else?

III Conclusion

- 1. Are we willing to obey God's plan?
- 2. He has a plan for each one of us! Philippians 2:10

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