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## Life Lessons

This morning Sheryl and I were talking about how God works in our lives and the lessons we have learned. I made the statement,

“Sometimes we think we have heard from God that ‘this’ is the plan He has for us.

Then we start to work on that plan and we focus on the plan instead of on God. After a while that plan becomes so much of our focus that we aren’t listening to God anymore.

Eventually, God wants to make a mid course correction and we are so focused on the details of His original plan that He has to go to extreme measures to get our attention.”

We learned that lesson as we were transferred from Honduras to Los Angeles. Then again, as He broadened our ministry in Los Angeles from working on one street corner with at risk kids and their families to teaching others (now 25 Centers in LA, Arizona, Nevada and North Dakota) how to do the same thing.

Now, even though we think we have an understanding of how God wants to use us for the next 10 years, we are daily asking God to direct us and move us in the direction He wants us to go.

I don’t think God want to change what we are doing – I think He is pointing us to a new location. The opportunities seem to be opening up to present the Parenting Seminar of Life Is Full Of Choices in more areas of the United States and internationally.

My desire, right now, is to walk as close as I can to God.

The life lesson I have learned is to follow the plan giver, not the plan.

It is hard, from our human perspective, to live our life without a goal to hold on to, without a five-year or a ten-year plan to fall back on - other than to follow after God.

Thank you for walking with us as we have been learning this lesson. Thank you for supporting us through your prayers and enabling us to teach others through your giving.

In His grip,

John  
for John and Sheryl Emra

### Answered Prayer

*Praise God for some extra funds that came in this past month. God is good.*

*We are making contacts for the future. Praise God that people are seeing the need and recognizing how Life Is Full Of Choices can help meet that need.*

### Prayer Request

*The Foundational Principles of Family Peace Seminar on October 25<sup>th</sup>. Pray for those who are planning on attending.*

*Pray for the ladies Sheryl is working with while we are traveling. Working with someone over the phone is a new format for her and takes some getting used to.*

*Please pray for safety as we travel. Texas now, Back to California the beginning of November then the Northwest in December and January.*

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