# The Blessing Of 'No'

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My baby girl & her best friends were baptized today! After being invited by her friends she joined this wonderful church & a couple weeks later the rest of the kids joined with her. It's been the biggest blessing in our lives since! It's so wonderful being part of such a special place. Thank you again to everyone involved. They wear their heart on their sleeves! Couldn't have chosen any better place for our time with God & our church family... next time it's mommy's turn finally.

"In their hearts humans plan their course, but the Lord establishes their steps." -Proverbs 16:9

### Reasons Why It's Hard To Receive A 'No' From God:

- 1) Entitlement Mentality
- 2) Transactional Mentality
- 3) Insecurity

Could A 'No' Be A Blessing In Disguise?

Acts 16:4 Then they went from town to town, instructing the believers to follow the decisions made by the apostles and elders in Jerusalem. 5 So the churches were strengthened in their faith and grew larger every day.

6 Next Paul and Silas traveled through the area of Phrygia and Galatia, because the Holy Spirit had prevented them from preaching the word in the province of Asia at that time. 7 Then coming to the borders of Mysia, they headed north for the province of Bithynia, but again the Spirit of Jesus did not allow them to go there. 8 So instead, they went on through Mysia to the seaport of Troas.

9 That night Paul had a vision: A man from Macedonia in northern Greece was standing there, pleading with him, "Come over to Macedonia and help us!" 10 So we decided to leave for Macedonia at once, having concluded that God was calling us to preach the Good News there.

The door God closes isn't a rejection—it's a redirection to something greater.

## Reasons God Says 'No'

- 1) Has a Greater Plan
- 2) The Time Isn't Right
- 3) He Wants To Develop Your Character
- 4) You're Asking For The Wrong Thing

#### What do I do if God says 'No'-- Be Patient

Patience Is Waiting Without Complaining

How To Know If God Is Speaking: B.O.S.S.

Burden Others Scripture Selfless

"If God is truly calling you to something, then why are you so afraid to let go of your own plans?" -Francis Chan

# Next Steps & Annc's



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Join us for a special Father's Day service, and stop by our Cravings Box Station where everyone can build a custom snack box filled with treats any dad would love. It's our way of saying thanks to the dads, grandpas, and father figures who make a difference every day!