Wanted to look at the Bible to see what it says about Goal Setting. Please review the scripture provided (and include others you may have) and we will dive into this discussion to see what God wants us to learn.

Proverbs 13:16 "All who are prudent act with knowledge, but fools expose their folly"

**Proverbs 14:15-16** "The simple believe anything, but the prudent give thought to their steps. <sup>16</sup> The wise fear the LORD and shun evil, but a fool is hotheaded and yet feels secure.

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

**Proverbs 16:20** "Whoever gives heed to instruction prospers, and blessed is the one who trust in the Lord"

**Proverbs 18:15** "The heart of the discerning acquires knowledge, the ears of the wise seek it out"

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

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

**Proverbs 24:6** "For waging war you need guidance, and for victory many advisors."

**Proverbs 27:12** "The prudent see danger and take refuge, but the simple keep going and suffer for it."

**Matthew 6:24** "No one can serve masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and Money.

**Matthew 7:7** "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; know and the door will be opened to you."

**Luke 14:28-31** "Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Won't you first sit down and estimate the cost to see if you have enough money to complete it? <sup>29</sup> For if you lay the foundation and are not able to finish it, everyone who sees it will ridicule you, <sup>30</sup> saying, 'This person began to build and wasn't able to finish.' <sup>31</sup> "Or suppose a king is about to go to war against another king. Won't he first sit down and consider whether he is able with ten thousand men to oppose the one coming against him with twenty thousand?

**Galatians 3:3** "Are you so foolish? After beginning with the Spirit, are you now trying to attain your goal by human effort?

**Ephesians 3:20** "Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us"

**Ephesians 5:15-16** "Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil."

1 Corinthians 10:31 "So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God."

**2 Corinthians 5:9** "So we make it our goal to please him, whether we are at home in the body or away from it."

**Philippians 3:13-14** "Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, <sup>14</sup> I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus."

**Colossians 3:1** "Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God."

**1 John 5:14** "This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us."

## **Questions:**

- 1) What goes into your thought process when you set Goals?
- 2) After reading these scriptures does your thought process change? How?
- 3) What steps can you take/or do take when setting Goals?
- 4) List some Goals you have set this year. How are you doing in accomplishing them?