To humans belong the plans of the heart, but from the LORD comes the proper answer of the tongue. All a person's ways seem pure to them, but motives are weighed by the LORD. Commit to the LORD whatever you do, and he will establish your plans.
Proverbs 16:1-3

LIFEHACKS #3 – SUBMIT

David had big plans. He wanted to do something big for God. He wanted to build him a house so that all people could see how big God was. But, God said, "No. I don't want you to do that."

Many of us have big plans for today or this week. Maybe our plans even go a little bit further. We're starting to think about summer work, summer travel, college applications. We're starting to think about classes we'll take and things to enjoy. We even try to be really godly about it and desire to do big things for God.

What if God says, "No"? What would you do if that happened to you? How would you feel? What would you pray? What do you think David prayed? How do you think he responded?

God told David, "No." And David said, "God, you're great. I think it's amazing and gracious of you that you brought me to this place and purpose in my life. In fact, I can't believe that you even pay attention to me. More than that I can't believe you told me what your plans are for my son and my family! Who am I? Who is my family? Wow! You paid attention to us and told us your plans" (You can read the story in 2 Samuel 7).

Who are you that God would care about you and about your plans? Who are you that God has already written your name in his book of life? Who are you that God has plans for you, big plans, that you don't know anything about?

You're his child. He's been working in your life for a long time now and he's not done yet. Commit your plans to him and watch what he'll do. It'll probably be better.

PRAYER:
Lord God, I've got plans. I want to do things for you that will make a difference in this world and will make your name great. Take my plans and use them. Or do something better. I'm your servant and I'm eager to live out your plan in my life. Amen.