## **Various Plans**

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As I was taking some old very worn bed sheets from the dryer today, I began to think about them while I folded them. These bed sheets are very old. Many years ago, they were brand new sheets covering our bed. As time moved on, they began to wear, and were subsequently replaced. However, since that time, they have been used in various ways for such things as – thrown across the dining room table to make a "house" under the table for our grandchildren to play, when they were small. And as the grandchildren grew up, again the sheets were used for a "camping out" in our living room.

Some sheets have been cut up and used for costumes at vacation bible school over the years. In later times, we have used the sheets as drop clothes or for covering various pieces of furniture to protect while remodeling projects have occurred at our home or at the church. And most recently, some were used for costumes at the Live Nativity at our church. As I finished folding them and putting them on the shelf, I wonder what will be their next project! Who would ever think that a common old bed sheet would be used in so many ways!

Just like the bed sheets have gotten used in various ways, God has various plans for us as we travel through life's journey here on earth. He may engage us in many different tasks throughout our life; but bottom line, we are His children who He loves very much. The tasks may change, but the relationship with our Lord never changes, as long as we stay faithful to Him!

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call on Me and come and pray to Me, and I will listen to you. You will seek Me and find Me when you seek Me with all your heart...." (Jeremiah 29:11-13)

**Prayer:** Thank you, Lord, for always being with us as You guide us in the plans You have for us. May we follow you faithfully, in Jesus name we pray. Amen.