

There was nothing random or coincidental about the betrayal, arrest, trial, crucifixion, death, and resurrection of Jesus. God had already prearranged it all as a part of fulfilling His plan to bring us salvation. It may have seemed out of control and frightening to His disciples, but God preplanned how He was going to turn that for their good, and our good.

Do you ever think that a setback, a disappointment, or a betrayal has caught God off guard? No! He wouldn't have allowed it if it was going to stop your purpose. You just don't see what He is doing behind the scenes. What He has already planned in your future is bigger, better, and more rewarding than you can ever imagine. When you understand this, you won't live striving, straining, fearful, stressed or worried. "How is it going to work out?" "What is going to happen?" etc. You will live from a place of peace, and a place of rest. You are confident that your Creator has a "definite plan" for you. Your job is to keep being faithful, keep living with excellence and integrity, and then you *are* going to walk into all that God has already prepared for you.

Acts 2:23 "...this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men."