

## “ASSURANCE OF GOD’S GUIDANCE”

### I. GOD’S PROMISE OF GUIDANCE

#### D. You Need God’s Guidance

1. Because of your limited wisdom and ability, your finite understanding of all the facts, coupled with your sinfulness, you simply \_\_\_\_\_ direct your own steps successfully. (Prov. 14:12; Jer. 10:23-24)
2. The extent that you \_\_\_\_\_ this to be true, will be the extent that you experience God’s \_\_\_\_\_ in your Christian life.
3. As is always the case with God, where there is legitimate **need**, there always is a provision of \_\_\_\_\_ to meet that need from our heavenly Father! (2 Cor. 12:9)

#### E. God Promises to Guide You (Ps. 32:8; Prov. 3:5-6)

- \* God \_\_\_\_\_ about you and wants to \_\_\_\_\_ you in life
- \* An axiom of the Christian life you need to know: “ I try, I \_\_\_\_\_..... I trust & He \_\_\_\_\_ ”

#### F. God’s Historical Guidance of His People Includes:

1. Direct contact (Gen. 2:15)
2. His spoken Word (Gen. 2:16-17)
3. Visions & Direct Revelation (Gen. 12:7)
4. Pillar of Fire/Cloud (Ex. 13:21)

### II. BIBLICAL PRINCIPLES FOR DIVINE GUIDANCE IN YOUR LIFE

A. You **MUST** first \_\_\_\_\_ to do God’s will before you can \_\_\_\_\_ it. (John 7:17)

\* A key in knowing God’s will is personal intimate ongoing \_\_\_\_\_ with Him

Colossians 3:16

**Principle:** You will trust someone in the measure that you personally \_\_\_\_\_ them & see the truth \_\_\_\_\_ them.

\* Humility or \_\_\_\_\_ is needed to know and heed God's Will! (Ps. 32:9; James 4:6)

\* God guides you primarily through His \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ (Ps. 119:105; James 1:5)

### **B. God's specific will for you includes you...**

1. Knowing you are \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Tim 2:4-6)
2. Being \_\_\_\_\_ in the Christian life (Eph 5:17-21)
3. Being \_\_\_\_\_ practically & progressively via the Word (John 17:17; 1 The. 4:1-8)
4. Being \_\_\_\_\_ to those who are in authority over you (1 Peter 2:11-16)
5. \_\_\_\_\_ for Jesus Christ (1 Peter 3:13-18)
6. \_\_\_\_\_ the Savior who died for you (Romans 12:1-2)
7. \_\_\_\_\_ or displaying an attitude of gratitude in life (1 The. 5:18)

### **C. Your Process for Discerning the Unknown Will of God is:**

1. Always start with the \_\_\_\_\_ will of God.
2. Prayerfully consider any biblical \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ from God's word that apply (James 1:5).
3. Remember that God's \_\_\_\_\_ will never lead you astray, for He is the Spirit of \_\_\_\_\_. (Rom. 8:11-14)
4. \_\_\_\_\_ the Lord & \_\_\_\_\_ that God will lead you one step at a time (Pro. 3:5-6; Heb. 11:6)

### **III. Biblical Examples of Guidance**

1. Jacob in going down to Egypt (Gen 47) —did God guide him in what he should do?
2. Paul on his missionary journeys (Acts 13:1-4; 15:36-16:40)

Psalm 16:11