



Putting God in the Center of
Life's Toughest Decisions

Part 1: You'll Never Get Lost Again
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To get the most out of this series:

Ground yourself by reading God's Word each day

Pray that God will speak to you

Surrender your will so that you will honor God with every decision

How did God speak in the Old and New Testaments?

1. By direct revelation (Genesis 12:1-3)
2. Dreams (Joseph, Jacob, Daniel, Mary)
3. His written Word
4. His Prophets ("Thus saith the Lord")
5. Circumstances (Gideon's fleece)
6. Angels (Luke 1:26-38)
7. The Holy Spirit (Acts 16:6-7)

How God speaks today:

1. The Bible – God's Road Map

And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself. - Luke 24:27

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work. - 2 Timothy 3:16-17

2. The Holy Spirit – God's Internal GPS

"And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever— the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you." – John 14:16-17

He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" – Acts 9:4

3. The School of Life – Landmarks

(Jesus, Acts 27, Jonah, contemporary examples)

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4. The Body of Christ – Fellow Direction Seekers

Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ. From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work. – Ephesians 4:15-16

5. Providence or Circumstance

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. – Romans 8:28

Key Verses: Isaiah 30:20-21

Although the Lord gives you the bread of adversity and the water of affliction, your teachers will be hidden no more; with your own eyes you will see them. Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, "This is the way; walk in it."

*God, when You speak, may I be quiet enough to hear,
Humble enough to receive, wise enough to discern,
And surrendered enough to obey.*

On The Way Home

Trying not saying a word for the entire drive home. Turn off the radio and just listen. After getting home, talk about the things you would have missed hearing had you not chosen to be quiet. How can you apply the peaceful principle to your quest to hear God?

Group Life Discussion Questions



- 1) How do you normally handle decision making? What criteria do you use in making the big decisions of your life?
- 2) Where do you normally turn for guidance? Why do you choose that particular way of gaining insight?
- 3) Has God ever spoken to you? How did He speak and how did you know it was Him?
- 4) What is the biggest obstacle you face in reading the Bible? What creative ways can you think of to put the Word of God into your life even if you're not a big reader? Why is reading the Bible so important?
- 5) In what areas of life are you currently seeking direction?
- 6) How can we pray for you and your answer to number 5?