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GOD'S DIRECTION IN LIFE'S DECISIONS

HOW TO KNOW GOD'S WILL FOR YOUR LIFE

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Jeremiah 6:16 NLT This is what the LORD says: "Stop at the crossroads and look around. Ask for the old, godly way, and walk in it. Travel its path, and you will find rest for your souls. But you reply, 'No, that's not the road we want!'

Four Primary Ways to Know God's Will For Your Life:

1. *Develop a Closer Relationship With God and His Word*

... We ask God to give you complete knowledge of His will and to give you spiritual wisdom and understanding. Then the way you live will always honor and please the Lord, and your lives will produce every kind of good fruit. All the while, you will grow as you learn to know God better and better. Colossians 1:9-10 NLT

Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. Point out anything in me that offends you, and lead me along the path of everlasting life. Psalms 139:23-24 NLT

"God's will is a roadmap."

Your commandments give me understanding; no wonder I hate every false way of life. Your word is a lamp to guide my feet and a light for my path. Psalms 119:104-105 NLT

"If it's God's Word, it's God's Will."

I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will guide you with My eye. Psalms 32:8 NKJV

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2. Seek Wise Counsel

*Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.
Proverbs 4:7 KJV*

Wisdom - Proper knowledge and skill in warfare, vocation, administration, lifestyle, and relationships.

Understanding - Applied wisdom. A scheduled act that once set in motion contributes to the ongoing wellbeing of your life.

- *Spiritual Guidance*
- *Personal Development*
- *Relationship Instruction*
- *Career Training*
- *Financial Consultation*

*Where there is no counsel, the people fall; But in the multitude of counselors there is safety.
Proverbs 11:14 NKJV*

3. Realize That God's Timing Is Best.

"As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts." Isaiah 55:9 NIV

So let's not get tired of doing what is good. At just the right time we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don't give up. Galatians 6:9 NLT

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4. Respond to the Prompting of the Holy Spirit

Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is. Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit, Ephesians 5:15-18 NIV

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. Romans 8:14 NLT