

## HOW CAN I KNOW THE WILL OF GOD – PART - 2

**Ephesians 5:15-17 NKJV** See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, (16) redeeming the time, because the days are evil. (17) Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is.

**Ephesians 5:15-17 CEV** Act like people with good sense and not like fools. (16) These are evil times, so make every minute count. (17) Don't be stupid. Instead, find out what the Lord wants you to do.

**Colossians 1:9 NIV** For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you. We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives,

### **The four primary ways that God will lead the Born-Again believer are:**

1. The Written Word of God
2. The Inward Witness
3. The Inward Voice or Voice of Your Spirit
4. The Voice of the Holy Spirit

### ***How Do We Become More Spiritually Sensitive?***

1. Give the Word of God \_\_\_\_\_.

**Isaiah 55:6-11 NKJV** Seek the LORD while He may be found, Call upon Him while He is near. (7) Let the wicked forsake his way, And the unrighteous man his thoughts; Let him return to the LORD, And He will have mercy on him; And to our God, For He will abundantly pardon. (8) "For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Nor are your ways My ways," says the LORD. (9) "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways, And My thoughts than your thoughts. (10) "For as the rain comes down, and the snow from heaven, And do not return there, But water the earth, And make it bring forth and bud, That it may give seed to the sower And bread to the eater, (11) So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.

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

**Hebrews 4:12 NIV** For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.

**Don't let the Word of God be an afterthought or the LAST RESORT!**

**Make it the first thing you go to.**

2. \_\_\_\_\_ in the Word of God.

**Joshua 1:8 AMP** This Book of the Law shall not depart out of your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, that you may observe and do according to all that is written in it. For then you shall make your way prosperous, and then you shall deal wisely and have good success.

The Word of God shall not depart out of your mouth...

To meditate means to mutter or speak to yourself.

**Psalms 1:1-3 NKJV** Blessed is the man Who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of the scornful; (2) But his delight is in the law of the LORD, And in His law he meditates day and night. (3) He shall be like a tree Planted by the rivers of water, That brings forth its fruit in its season, Whose leaf also shall not wither; And whatever he does shall prosper.

3. \_\_\_\_\_ the Word of God

**James 1:22-25 NKJV** But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. (23) For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man observing his natural face in a mirror; (24) for he observes himself, goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of man he was. (25) But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues in it, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does. Begin the practice being a doer of the Word by doing in all circumstances what the Word tells you to do.

**Matthew 7:24-27 NKJV** "Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock: (25) and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did not fall, for it was founded on the rock. (26) "But everyone who hears these sayings of Mine, and does not do them, will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand: (27) and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it fell. And great was its fall."

Here is a New Testament Example:

**Philippians 4:6 NLT** Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank Him for all He has done.

**Philippians 4:6 AMP** Do not fret or have any anxiety about anything, but in every circumstance and in everything, by prayer and petition (definite requests), with thanksgiving, continue to make your wants known to God.

God does not ask us to do something that He does not give us the ability to do.

**Philippians 4:7 NLT** Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.

We want verse 7 results without first doing what verse 6 says. If you do verse 6, you will get verse 7.

4. \_\_\_\_\_ the voice of your spirit.

The human spirit has a voice. We call this our conscience.

Sometimes we call it *an intuition* or an *inner voice*. The world calls it a *hunch*.

**We always put the Word first and therefore our spirit becomes an authoritative guide.**

**This is a process that takes time to learn.**

5. Spend time praying in \_\_\_\_\_.

**1 Corinthians 14:14-15 NLT** (14) For if I pray in tongues, my spirit is praying, but I don't understand what I am saying. (15) Well then, what shall I do? I will pray in the spirit, and I will also pray in words I understand. I will sing in the spirit, and I will also sing in words I understand.

**1 Corinthians 14:2 NLT** For if you have the ability to speak in tongues, you will be talking only to God, since people won't be able to understand you. You will be speaking by the power of the Spirit, but it will all be mysterious.

- When you pray in other tongues, you are speaking directly to God – the Father of spirits.
- Praying in other tongues causes us to become more spirit-conscious.
- When you pray in other tongues, your mind grows quiet - because you are not praying out of your mind.