

DISCOVERING GOD'S PLAN FOR YOUR LIFE

LESSON 1

LORD, WHAT IS MY NEXT STEP?

IN THIS LESSON WE WILL DISCUSS *HOW TO WALK IN GOD'S PLAN FOR YOUR LIFE*. WITHOUT A DIVINE PLAN, YOU ARE PLANNING TO FAIL

Proverbs 21:30 ERV

There is no one wise enough to make a plan that can succeed if the LORD is against it.

3 KIND OF PEOPLE

1. DOING THEIR THING - (WHATEVER THEY WANT TO DO)
2. DOING GOD'S THING- (LIVING IN GOD'S PLAN FOR THEIR LIFE)
3. DON'T KNOW WHAT THING THEY'RE DOING - (EXISTING, GOING WITH THE FLOW, WHATEVER THEY NEED TO DO AT THE TIME TO SURVIVE)

QUESTION: WHICH ONE ARE YOU?

NOTE : GOD CREATED US TO THRIVE NOT JUST SURVIVE?

POWER POINT : YOU ARE ONE STEP AWAY FROM MOVING INTO ANOTHER DIMENSION OF GOD'S AMAZING SUCCESS PLAN FOR YOUR LIFE.

Psalms 32:8 NLT

The LORD says, "I will guide you along the best pathway for your life. I will advise you and watch over you.

I. GOD IS ENDEAVORING TO GUIDE YOU. HE WANTS YOU TO EXPERIENCE THE WINNING LIFE JESUS PURCHASED FOR YOU.

Proverbs 16:3 NLT

COMMIT YOUR ACTIONS TO THE LORD, AND YOUR PLANS WILL SUCCEED.

II. GOD HAS A PLAN FOR YOUR LIFE

YOU MUST BELIEVE GOD HAS AN AMAZING PLAN FOR YOU TO BE SUCCESSFUL IN EVERY AREA OF YOUR LIFE (FAMILY, HEALTH, FINANCIAL, CAREER, MINISTRY

ASSIGNMENT...)

Jeremiah 29:11 GNT

I alone know the plans I have for you, plans to bring you prosperity and not disaster, plans to bring about the future you hope for.

III. GOD STILL SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE TODAY. (THE WORD, INNER WITNESS OF PEACE, INNER VOICE, ILLUMINATING OUR MIND WITH GODLY THOUGHTS, WISE IDEAS, WISE GODLY COUNSEL, UNEASINESS IN YOUR HEART)

John 10:27 KJVS

My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:

Revelation 2:29 KJVS

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

IV. DISCERNING GOD'S VOICE

YOU MUST DISCERN GOD'S VOICE AND FOLLOW HIS INSTRUCTIONS

Proverbs 4:10,13 NLT

My child, listen to me and do as I say, and you will have a long, good life. [13] Take hold of my instructions; don't let them go. Guard them, for they are the key to life.

2 Chronicles 26:5 NLT

And as long as the King Uzziah sought guidance from the LORD, God gave him success.

V. GETTING GOD'S INSTRUCTIONS FOR REAL LIFE QUESTIONS

8 COMMON REAL LIFE QUESTIONS

Proverbs 14:12 NLT

There is a path before each person that seems right, but it ends in death.

Proverbs 16:9 TLB

We should make plans-counting on God to direct us.

1. What is the next step in my career?" CHANGE CAREER, RETRAIN, RELOCATE.
2. "What is the next step in my ministry?"
3. "What is the next step for my family?"

4. "What is the next step for my marriage?" Or should I get married?
5. "What is the next step in my education?"
6. "What is the next step in my finances?"
7. "What is the right time for me to retire"?
8. What is YOUR WILL for me? I don't know what to do. I am confused My life is all messed up

DAILY APPLICATION STEPS

1. ASK GOD TO LET YOU KNOW HIS WILL FOR EVERY AREA OF YOUR LIFE

Colossians 1:9 GNT

We ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will, with all the wisdom and understanding that his Spirit gives.

2. SET A SPECIAL "ALONE" TIME FOR SEEKING GOD

a. THROUGH PRAYER (waiting in God's presence)

b. THROUGH FASTING (set a time for fasting)

FATHER, I DESIRE TO KNOW YOUR WILL. I PURPOSE TO WAIT IN PRAYER AND NOT ACT UNTIL I RECEIVE YOUR DIRECTION FOR MY LIFE.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. DO YOU TALK & PRAY TO GOD EXPECTING HIM TO SPEAK TO YOU?
2. CAN YOU REMEMBER A TIME YOU PERCEIVED GOD SPOKE TO YOU?
3. DESCRIBE A TIME YOU MADE A DECISION WITHOUT GETTING GOD INVOLVED

DAILY ACTION STEPS FOR THE WEEK

START THE PROCESS OF DEVELOPING A LIFESTYLE OF SEEKING GOD'S WILL FOR

EVERY AREA OF YOUR LIFE

SET A SPECIAL "ALONE" TIME FOR SEEKING GOD

1. PRAY DAILY CONCERNING GOD'S WILL.
2. FAST (BEGIN WITH SETTING A FASTING DAY. EAT ONE BALANCED MEAL. ONLY WATER THROUGHOUT THE DAY. FAST AFTER LUNCH UNTIL BEDTIME. PRAY IN THE EVENING. FASTING MUST BE COMBINED WITH PRAYER TO BE EFFECTIVE.
3. GET A PRAYER JOURNAL. WRITE IN YOUR PRAYER JOURNAL WHAT YOU SENSE GOD IS SPEAKING TO YOU.

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION: *FATHER I DESIRE TO KNOW YOUR WILL. I PURPOSE TO WAIT IN PRAYER AND NOT ACT UNTIL I RECEIVE YOUR DIRECTION FOR MY LIFE. REVEAL TO ME YOUR WILL CONCERNING MY _____ (MY CAREER, FAMILY, FINANCES, RELATIONSHIPS, HEALTH, EDUCATION, MINISTRY ASSIGNMENT ETC.)*