

5 Spirit-Led Steps to Discern God's Will

When I am seeking to discern the mind of God, the first thing I do is examine my life to be certain that every area of my life comes under His lordship.

The second thing I do is try to put my desires in neutral so the Holy Spirit can work His will in me.

And the third thing is that I expect God to speak to me. I expect to hear from Him through His Word. I expect the Lord to speak to me through open and shut doors, through godly, praying friends, and through circumstances.

The fourth thing I do to discern the mind of God is test the spirits. Ask the question: Is what I am doing or what I am about to do going to bring glory to the Lord? Is it going to glorify His name? Is it consistent with the Word of God, or is it contrary to the Word of God?

The fifth thing that I would urge people to do is wait upon the Lord. Wait for His timing. Read Scripture. Who is the one who is always hurrying people to do things? The devil. Who is always saying, "Wait, wait, wait"? The Lord. It's in His Word.

Prayer: God, help me to seek Your will for my life. I pray that I would filter all of my decisions through You and Your Word. I pray in the name of Jesus, amen.

"Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit which is of God, so that we might know the things that are freely given to us by God" (1 Cor. 2:12). {eoa}

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