

"How Does God Guide Us?"
Questions for God series
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We must know the **WHO** before we can determine the **WHAT**.

God says, "I will teach you and guide you in the way you should live. I will watch over you and be your guide. - Psalm 32:8 (ERV)

3 Ways we receive God's Guidance

Guidance #1, GOD'S WORD.

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.

- **Hebrews 4:12** (NIV)

God's word exposes our **MOTIVES**.

It is impossible to get to the **RIGHT PLACE** with the **WRONG MOTIVES**.

We often make permanent **DECISIONS** based on temporary **EMOTIONS**!

Guidance #2, **CONNECT** with faith filled people.

The way of a fool is right in his own eyes, but A WISE PERSON LISTENS TO ADVICE.

- **Proverbs 12:15** (ESV)

4 Tests for Advice

Does it line up with God's word?
Will the action honor God and love people.
Will it avoid sin?

Is it strengthening either by encouragement or shining light on sin?

Guidance #3, HOLY SPIRIT prompting.

I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with **POWER** through his Spirit in your **INNER BEING - Ephesians 3:16**

Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. - Psalm 139:23 (niv)

We must determine **WHOSE** we are before we decide **WHAT** we are supposed to do.