

Making Decisions

Topics and Verses

Trust God

- Proverbs 3:5-7
⁵ Trust in the LORD with all your heart And do not lean on your own understanding. ⁶ In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He will make your paths straight. ⁷ Do not be wise in your own eyes; Fear the LORD and turn away from evil.
- Isaiah 30:20-21
²⁰ Although the Lord has given you bread of privation and water of oppression, *He*, your Teacher will no longer hide Himself, but your eyes will behold your Teacher. ²¹ Your ears will hear a word behind you, "This is the way, walk in it," whenever you turn to the right or to the left.

Delight in the Lord as Lifestyle

- Psalm 37:3-6
³ Trust in the LORD and do good; Dwell in the land and cultivate faithfulness. ⁴ Delight yourself in the LORD; And He will give you the desires of your heart. ⁵ Commit your way to the LORD, Trust also in Him, and He will do it. ⁶ He will bring forth your righteousness as the light And your judgment as the noonday.
- Psalm 20:4
⁴ May He grant you your heart's desire And fulfill all your counsel!
- Proverbs 2:1-5
¹ My son, if you will receive my words And treasure my commandments within you, ² Make your ear attentive to wisdom, Incline your heart to understanding; ³ For if you cry for discernment, Lift your voice for understanding; ⁴ If you seek her as silver And search for her as for hidden treasures; ⁵ Then you will discern the fear of the LORD And discover the knowledge of God.

Use God's Word

- Psalm 119:105
¹⁰⁵ Your word is a lamp to my feet And a light to my path.
- Psalm 119:130 (NASB95)
¹³⁰ The unfolding of Your words gives light; It gives understanding to the simple.

Pray for Wisdom

- James 1:5
⁵ But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him.

Seek Wise Counsel

- Proverbs 15:22
²² Without consultation, plans are frustrated, But with many counselors they succeed.
- Proverbs 20:18
¹⁸ Prepare plans by consultation,

Submit to God's will, follow when he leads

- James 4:13-17
¹³ Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go to such and such a city, and spend a year there and engage in business and make a profit." ¹⁴ Yet you do not know what your life will be like tomorrow. You are *just* a vapor that appears for a little while and then vanishes away. ¹⁵ Instead, *you ought* to say, "If the Lord wills, we will live and also do this or that." ¹⁶ But as it is, you boast in your arrogance; all such boasting is evil. ¹⁷ Therefore, to one who knows *the* right thing to do and does not do it, to him it is sin.

Use Good Judgment

- Acts 15:22
²² Then it seemed good to the apostles and the elders, with the whole church, to choose men from among them to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas—Judas called Barsabbas, and Silas, leading men among the brethren,
- Ezra 7:18
¹⁸ "Whatever seems good to you and to your brothers to do with the rest of the silver and gold, you may do according to the will of your God.