

TOO BLESSED TO BE STRESSED...

By Indecision

Psalm 23 (Pew Bible Page 392)

"He guides me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake"

Psalm 23:3

Three Problems in finding God's will

1. The MYSTICAL approach
2. The METHODICAL approach
3. The MAGICAL approach

GETTING GUIDANCE FROM GOD

1. ADMIT I NEED A GUIDE

"Everyone of us have strayed away like sheep! We have left God's paths to follow our own."

Isaiah 53:6

"There is a way that seems right to a man, but in the end it leads to death."

Proverbs 14:12

"He guides the humble in what is right and teaches them his way."

Psalm 25:9

2. ASK IN FAITH FOR DIRECTION

"If you want to know what God really wants you to do, ask him, and he will gladly tell you, for he is always ready to give a bountiful supply of wisdom to all who ask him; but...be sure that you really expect him to tell you...If you don't ask in faith, don't expect the Lord to give you any solid answer."

James 1:5-6 (LB)

3. **LISTEN** FOR GOD'S RESPONSE

"God does speak—sometimes one way and sometimes another—even though people may not understand it"
Job 33:14 (NCV)

GOD SPEAKS THROUGH

THE BIBLE

TEACHERS

IMPRESSIONS

CIRCUMSTANCES

PAIN

4. **TRUST** GOD WHEN I DON'T UNDERSTAND

"Your road led by a pathway through the sea—a pathway no one knew was there" Psalm 77:19 (LB)

"The path of righteousness is like the first gleam of dawn, shining brighter till the full light of day."
Proverbs 4:18 (NIV)

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight."
Proverbs 3:5 (NIV)

"The steps of man are established by the Lord...when he falls, he shall not be hurled headlong because the Lord is the one who holds his hand."
Psalm 37:23-24 (NAS)

"In the way of righteousness there is life; along that path is immortality"
Proverbs 12:28 (NIV)