



Foundations of Assurance – Lesson #7

Assurance of God's Guidance

“Basically, assurance is freedom from doubt; a sense of certainty that something is true, will occur, or that all is okay. Synonyms for assurance consist of words like certainty, certitude, conviction. All these nouns ultimately mean freedom from doubt.” Keathley, J. H


A. Our Need for God's Guidance


1. You Must See Your Need for God's Guidance

- a. Due to your _____ wisdom and ability, along with your finite understanding of all the facts, you cannot successfully direct your own steps. (Prov.14:12; Jer.10:23-24)
- b. The extent that you believe in your deficiency, will be the extent to which you experience God's _____ in your Christian life.
- c. As is always the case with God, where then is legitimate need, there is always a provision of _____ to meet that need from our heavenly Father! (2 Cor. 12:9)

- A fundamental concept of the Christian life that you need to know:
— “I TRY – I _____; I TRUST and HE _____”


2. You Must See that God Alone has the Ability to Guide You

 **Proverbs 3:5-6** Trust in the LORD with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding; 6 In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths.

 **Psalms 32:8-9** I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will guide you with My eye. 9 Do not be like the horse or like the mule, Which have no understanding, Which must be harnessed with bit and bridle, Else they will not come near you.

- God _____ about every detail of your life and is waiting and wanting to direct your life, but you must be willing to _____ Him.

3. You Must First Desire to Do God's Will Before You can Know God's Will (John 7:17)

 **John 7:17** If anyone wills to do His will, he shall know concerning the doctrine, whether it is from God or whether I speak on My own authority.


- a. A key to knowing God's will is to foster an ongoing personal intimate _____ with Him. (Matthew 11:28-30)
- You will only grow to trust Him in the measure that you personally _____ Him and see His _____. (Rom. 11:33-12:2)
- b. Humility along with _____ is necessary to know and heed God's will. (Psa. 32:9; James 4:6)
- c. God guides you primarily through His _____ and prayerful _____. (Psa. 119:105; James 1:5)


B. Biblical Principles for Divine Guidance in Your Life (Psalm 27)


1. Place your _____ in God's Character and Ability (Psalm 27:1-3)
2. Pursue Continual _____ with the Lord (Psalm 27:4-6)
3. Prayerfully _____ and Cast All Your Cares Upon Him in Complete Dependence (Psalm 27:7-13)
4. Patiently and _____ Upon Him to Strengthen and Direct You (Psalm 27:14)

C. Biblical Promises for Divine Guidance in Your Life

 **Psalms 25:8-9** Good and upright is the LORD; Therefore He teaches sinners in the way. 9 The humble He guides in justice, And the humble He teaches His way.

 **Psalms 31:1-3** In You, O LORD, I put my trust; Let me never be ashamed; Deliver me in Your righteousness. 2 Bow down Your ear to me, Deliver me speedily; Be my rock of refuge, A fortress of defense to save me. 3 For You are my rock and my fortress; Therefore, for Your name's sake, Lead me and guide me.

 **Psalms 73:23-26** Nevertheless I am continually with You; You hold me by my right hand. 24 You will guide me with Your counsel, And afterward receive me to glory. 25 Whom have I in heaven but You? And there is none upon earth that I desire besides You. 26 My flesh and my heart fail; But God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

 **Psalms 143:8-10** Cause me to hear Your lovingkindness in the morning, For in You do I trust; Cause me to know the way in which I should walk, For I lift up my soul to You. 9 Deliver me, O LORD, from my enemies; In You I take shelter. 10 Teach me to do Your will, For You are my God; Your Spirit is good. Lead me in the land of uprightness.