

STRESSBUSTERS 2009

PART 3 - INDECISION – Psalm 23:3b

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Psalm 23:3b(KJV) He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

LETTING GOD GUIDE ME

1. ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I NEED A GUIDE

Isaiah 53:6(ESV) All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

Proverbs 14:12(ESV) There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way to death.

Psalm 25:9(ESV) He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way.

2. ASK FOR DIRECTIONS

James 1:5(ESV) If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him.

James 1:6(ESV) But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind.

Matthew 21:22 (NIV) If you believe you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer.

3. LISTEN FOR GOD'S RESPONSE

Job 33:14(ESV) For God speaks in one way, and in two, though man does not perceive it.

Numbers 12:1-2(ESV) Miriam and Aaron spoke against Moses... And they said, Has the Lord indeed spoken only through Moses?

1 Kings 17:24 (TM) The woman said to Elijah, I see it all now—you are a holy man. When you speak, God speaks—a true word!

4. LISTEN TO GOD'S RESPONSE

Hebrews 3:7-8 (NCV) Today listen to what he says. Do not be stubborn as in the past...

Hebrews 12:25(NLT) Be careful that you do not refuse to listen to the One who is speaking. For if the people of Israel did not escape when they refused to listen to Moses, the earthly messenger, we will certainly not escape if we reject the One who speaks to us from heaven!

5. TRUST GOD WHEN I DON'T UNDERSTAND

Psalm 77:19(NLT) Your road led through the sea, your pathway through the mighty waters—a pathway no one knew was there!

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

Proverbs 3:5-6(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.

Psalm 37:23-24(NASB95) The steps of a man are established by the Lord, And He delights in his way. When he falls, he will not be hurled headlong, Because the Lord is the One who holds his hand.

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