

Praying for Directions

Many times, you pray for directions—and even more so that the answer would come sooner than later. Your mind floods with, “Can I hear God clearly giving the directions? Is there something I must do first?” For sure, we have all been in this place of waiting for the directions to take or the decisions to make. Learning to hear God’s directions can be confusing especially when you only catch a glimpse of it. But know that God is not wanting you to become overly anxious in the wait. He doesn’t have a communication problem, nor a dialect issue, so He knows exactly how and when to give you specific directions—if He chooses to do so. Well then, what do you do in the meantime? You seek God and wait. But wait for what reason?

In the wait, you learn patience. The Bible says that patience is a virtue which means it is a treasure. In patience you possess your soul, but it’s more important than that! In the wait, God desires that you to seek Him because He wants to be found—found in a relationship with you. And being with you is His greatest pleasure!

In the wait, you are being trained to hear the voice of God that comes out His desires. His ways are not your ways, and you know this, yet you still want God to answer you in your way of thinking. In this wait, your best option is to sit still in the presence of God, quietly meditating, and surrendering to Him. He will often give a scripture that will help guide you or He will give you a promise from His Word.

In the wait, God wants to know if you want Him more than the decisions or directions that you seek. These things are important to God because they are important to you, but your presence is what He is after. If you are in His presence, seeking His face, drawing close to His heart, He will most gladly talk to you.

In the wait is where God makes promises. In the wait, Abraham came to see his promised child. In the wait, Hannah conceived her promised child. In the wait, David received the promise of an everlasting kingdom. In the wait is where the relationship with God is formed and allegiances are framed. In the wait, the directions automatically come because of your relationship with the Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit of promise.

Many patriarchs and matriarchs struggled in waiting for their directions for what God wanted them to do. They didn’t know what decisions to make, but God was there silently working. God made decisions for them that they would never have understood. But later, in the end of their waiting, they found that their directions and decisions were faithfully being led by God for them. So relax, God knows what He’s doing.

Dear Jesus,

I believe that you are guiding your people in their directions and decisions. Often, they feel ill equipped, but they have You, and You are fully equipped. You know their end from their beginning, so I pray right now that they will learn your ways, your thoughts, and how faithful you are in guiding them. They feel lost even though they know you. I pray that they will feel you surrounding and comforting them. May they trust that you are leading them, even when they cannot understand what is happening. For certain, You are there in full force.

In their wait, show yourself to them, let them feel you and know you in a way that they never thought possible. I believe that you have marked their path with your presence. You are always faithful to see and know what they are doing. You have a plan for them, and it will be accomplished—even when they don’t feel it. You are the God that leads them into their directions. You will never leave them, nor forsake them. Forever and Amen!

The steps of a good man are ordered by Jehovah; and He delights in his way. Though he fall, he shall not be cast down; for Jehovah upholds his hand (Psalm 37:23-24).

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