

Enough. (4 of 7)
“Finding Direction”
Cornerstone Church of Poway
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Big Idea: We will never find what we really need until God is **enough**.

“The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, He restores my soul. He **guides** me in paths of **righteousness** for **His name's sake**.” **Psalm 23:1-3 (NIV)**

How Do I Find Direction From God?

I Find Direction From God When:

1. I Trust In His Leadership With An _____
 “He **guides** me...”

“If you need wisdom, **ask** our **generous God**, and He will give it to you. He will not rebuke you for asking. But when you ask him, be sure that your **faith** is in God alone. Do not waver, for a person with **divided** loyalty is as unsettled as a wave of the sea that is blown and tossed by the wind. Such people should not expect to receive anything from the Lord. Their loyalty is **divided** between God and the world, and they are unstable in everything they do.” **James 1:5-8 (NLT2)**

“**Trust** in the LORD with all your heart And **do not lean** on your own understanding. In all your ways **acknowledge** Him, And He will make your **paths straight**. Do not be **wise in your own eyes**; **Fear** the LORD and **turn** away from evil. It will be **healing** to your body And **refreshment** to your bones.” **Proverbs 3:5-8 (NASB)**

Notes: _____

2. Obey The Parts Of God’s Will I _____
 “in **paths of righteousness**”

“This command I am giving you today is not too difficult for you to understand, and it is not beyond your reach... No, the message is very close at hand; it is on your lips and in your heart so that you can obey it. “Now listen! Today I am giving you a choice between **life** and **death**, between **prosperity** and **disaster**. For I command you this day to **love the LORD** your God and to **keep** his commands, decrees, and regulations by **walking in His ways**. If you do this, you will live and multiply, and the LORD your God will **bless** you and the land you are about to enter and occupy.” **Deuteronomy 30:11, 14-16 (NLT2)**

It Is God's Will For Me To:

- **SHARE God's Message of Forgiveness in Jesus Christ**
Jesus said, "Go into all the world and preach the **Good News** to everyone."
Mark 16:15 (NLT2)
- **WORSHIP the One True God with Love and Obedience**
Jesus said, "**Love the Lord** your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind." **Matthew 22:37 (NIV)**
- **CONNECT in Safe and Loving Relationships**
Jesus said, "And the second is like it: '**Love your neighbor** as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."
Matthew 22:39-40 (NIV)
- **GROW in Faith with Personal Application**
"Therefore go and **make disciples** of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to **obey everything** I have commanded you." **Matthew 28:19-20a (NIV)**
- **SERVE in the Local Church to Build Up God's Kingdom**
"Now these are the gifts Christ gave to the church: the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, and the pastors and teachers. Their responsibility is to **equip God's people** to do His work and **build up the church**, the body of Christ. This will continue until we all come to such **unity in our faith** and knowledge of God's Son that we will be **mature** in the Lord, measuring up to the full and complete standard of Christ." **Ephesians 4:11-13 (NLT2)**

Notes: _____

3. I Live For His _____

"for **His name's sake**."

"So whether you eat or drink, or **whatever** you do, do it all for the **glory of God**."
1 Corinthians 10:31 (NLT2)

"Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of **God's mercy**, to **offer your bodies** as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God--this is your spiritual act of **worship**. Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be **transformed** by the **renewing of your mind**. Then you will be able to test and approve what **God's will** is--His good, pleasing and **perfect will**." **Romans 12:1-2 (NIV)**

➤ **How much do I trust God's leading?**

My next right step, I will:

- Trust God's leading with my whole heart
- Start practicing what I know
- Accept Jesus as my Lord and Savior



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- Family Corner:** [Choose one day this week to ask questions to go deeper in faith as a family. Try this over dinner. Keep it to 12 minutes or less.]
- Small Groups:** [Choose as many questions that honors your group’s time commitment]
- Big Idea:** We will never find what we really need until God is **enough**.

Open in Prayer:

- What thoughts from this week’s message encouraged you to live a life for Jesus?

Icebreaker:

- What are some of the little decisions you need to make in the upcoming week?
 What are some big decisions you need to make in the upcoming months?
 What process helps you to make bigger decisions?

Read Psalm 23:1-3

What stands out to you about God being our Shepherd leader?

How Do I Find Direction From God?

I Find Direction From God When:

1. I Trust In His Leadership With An Undivided Heart

“He **guides** me...”

Read James 1:5-8

How do we waver in our trust in God?
 What does it mean to have divided loyalty?

Life Application Bible Commentary

“If any of you lacks wisdom.^{NKJV} The wisdom that we need has three distinct characteristics:

1. *It is practical*—The wisdom from God relates to life even during the most trying times. It is not a wisdom isolated from suffering and trials. This wisdom is the tool by which trials are overcome. An intelligent person may have profound ideas, but a wise person puts profound ideas into action. Intelligence will allow someone to describe several reasons why the car broke down. The wise person chooses the most likely reason and proceeds to take action.
2. *It is divine*—God’s wisdom goes beyond common sense. Common sense does not lead us to choose joy in the middle of trials. This wisdom begins with respect for God, leads to living by God’s direction, and results in the ability to tell right from wrong. It is a wisdom that James will describe at length in [chapter 3](#).
3. *It is Christlike*—Asking for wisdom is ultimately asking to be like Christ. The Bible identifies Christ as the “wisdom of God” ([1 Corinthians 1:24](#); [2:1-7](#)).”

Read Proverbs 3:5-8

Which areas of your life are easier to trust God? More difficult?

How can you acknowledge God better?

What is God's promise? What are His conditions?

2. Obey The Parts Of God's Will I Already Know "in paths of righteousness"

Read Deuteronomy 30:11, 14-16

Why do we sometimes act as if God's will is a big mystery?

What are some things that God has made clear for us to follow?

3. I Live For His Name's Sake

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Read 1 Corinthians 10:31

What does it mean to bring glory to God?

Read Romans 12:1-2

What does true worship require?

What is our motivation?

How do we make this transformation?

How will this help us know God's will?

Close in Prayer: Start praying. Be bold and pray specifically.
