

FINDING & FOLLOWING GOD'S WILL

THE ULTIMATE SPIRITUAL LIFE HACK

Joshua 1:7-8 Psalm 119:105 Proverbs 3:5-6

SIX THINGS THAT SABOTAGE SIMPLE OBEDIENCE

- (1) Letting our **CONSCIENCE** be our guide.
1 Corinthians 4:4 Proverbs 12:15 & 14:12

- (2) Asking for more **PROOF**
when God has already spoken **CLEARLY**.
Judges 6:36-40 & 8:22-27

- (3) Confusing **RISK** with **FAITH**.
Luke 14:28-32 Proverbs 19:3

- (4) Failing to check in with God because
the decision seems **OBVIOUS**.
Joshua 9:1-27 John 8:44

- (5) Asking God **WHAT TO DO** without
asking him **WHEN TO DO IT**.
Acts 7:20-36 John 7:3-6

- (6) Ignoring your **SPOUSE**.
Genesis 2:24 Ephesians 5:21-25 1 Peter 3:7

Food for Thought for the week of September 10, 2017

(Questions and Scriptures for further study)

1. Larry mentioned that faith is trusting God enough to do what he says. Hebrews 11 is full of people who did just that. Read through the whole chapter and jot down where you see the various people trusting God enough to do what he says and the results of them doing that.

What stands out to you about faith from this chapter?

In light of what you saw in the lives of the people mentioned in this chapter, what are some of the things we should expect when we are in the middle of God's will?

2. Of the six things Larry mentioned that can sabotage our faith, which one do you struggle with the most?

What could help you to minimize its impact on your faith?

3. One of the incredible things about God's will is that no matter how far we've gone off track, God is ready and willing to bring us back. How do the following verses help reinforce God's desire to restore us, work in us, and use us for his will no matter how far we've fallen off track?

Jeremiah 18:1-6 *New International Version (NIV)*

At the Potter's House

¹ This is the word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: ² "Go down to the potter's house, and there I will give you my message." ³ So I went down to the potter's house, and I saw him working at the wheel. ⁴ But the pot he was shaping from the clay was marred in his hands; so the potter formed it into another pot, shaping it as seemed best to him.

⁵ Then the word of the LORD came to me. ⁶ He said, "Can I not do with you, Israel, as this potter does?" declares the LORD. "Like clay in the hand of the potter, so are you in my hand, Israel."

2 Corinthians 5:17 *New International Version (NIV)*

¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!

Ezekiel 36:24-30 *New International Version (NIV)*

²⁴ "For I will take you out of the nations; I will gather you from all the countries and bring you back into your own land. ²⁵ I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean; I will cleanse you from all your impurities and from all your idols. ²⁶ I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. ²⁷ And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws. ²⁸ Then you will live in the land I gave your ancestors; you will be my people, and I will be your God. ²⁹ I will save you from all your uncleanness. I will call for the grain and make it plentiful and will not bring famine upon you. ³⁰ I will increase the fruit of the trees and the crops of the field, so that you will no longer suffer disgrace among the nations because of famine."