



TEXT:

Romans 8:14

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

MAIN POINT:

Being led by the Spirit is the way to reach your greatest _____. However, the way will contain tests and lessons that build our greatest asset in following God's will: _____ and _____!

Supporting Scripture:

Philippians 1:6

being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ...

1 Timothy 4:15

Be diligent in these matters; give yourself wholly to them, so that everyone may see your progress.

PURPOSE FOR THE GUIDANCE:

1. The Holy Spirit guides us to _____ us.
 - a. Exodus 13:17 When Pharaoh finally let the people go, God did not lead them along the main road that runs through Philistine territory, even though that was the shortest route to the Promised Land. God said, "If the people are faced with a battle, they might change their minds and return to Egypt."
 - b. Even though they were _____, they were not ready for _____.
 - c. Philippians 4:7 Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.
 - d. 2 Timothy 1:14 Guard the good deposit that was entrusted to you—guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

PURPOSE FOR THE GUIDANCE:

2. The Holy Spirit guides us to _____ us.
 - a. Exodus 13:18 So God led them in a roundabout way through the wilderness toward the Red Sea. Thus the Israelites left Egypt like an army ready for battle.
 - b. Ministry is an _____ of who you _____. This makes your spiritual _____ most important.

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PURPOSE FOR THE GUIDANCE:

Point 2 Continued.

- c. 2 Corinthians 3:18 And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.
- d. Our _____ is formed and grows in the most _____ of times and places.

PURPOSE FOR THE GUIDANCE:

3. The Holy Spirit guides us to _____ us.

a. Hebrews 11:24, 27 By faith Moses, when he became of age, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, 27 By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king; for he endured as seeing Him who is invisible.

b. The _____ the Spirit guides us through puts us in _____ to fulfill God's _____ in us and in the kingdom of God.

c. Psalm 143:10 Teach me to do your will, for you are my God. May your gracious Spirit lead me forward on a firm footing.

Conclusion:

Are you following the leading of the Spirit in your life?

Truth we need to hear: We follow when God's will become more important than your own will in your life!

Reflection:

1. You may wonder at times, am I really following the Spirit?

2. The confirmation comes from God's Word. He leads us into truth we need for every moment we face and every lesson we need to learn.

3. 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.