



## "... On Me?"

*"And the Holy Spirit helps us in our weakness. For example, we don't know what God wants us to pray for. But the Holy Spirit prays for us with groanings that cannot be expressed in words. And the Father who knows all hearts knows what the Spirit is saying, for the Spirit pleads for us believers in harmony with God's own will."*

*The Apostle Paul | Romans 8:26-27 (NLT)*

Many years ago, I struggled to choose a topic for a sermon. I had a couple of ideas, one being "A Fork in the Road" ... we're always at another fork in the road, right? While praying and seeking God's will, I went for a bike ride to clear my head. As I finished my ride, I glanced down and what did I see? A fork in the road, literally! Though flattened repeatedly by traffic, I had my answer. Still makes me laugh!

Is discerning God's will when at a fork in the road simply a matter of laying out options, praying, and waiting for God to give us a clue?

The Apostle Paul unmask's our pride, we don't even know what God wants us to pray for! We need help. Praise the Lord, he's given it...

*"And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, who will never leave you." Jesus Christ (John 14:16)*

Our helper knows God's will... of course he does! And he knows our deepest groanings... we don't! He pleads for our hearts to align with God's will whenever we stand at life's forks in the road. Impatient, we simply ask, "Should I go left, or right?"

But, are there other questions we should be asking?

***Reflect: How do I engage God when I'm at a fork in the road?***

What if you pleaded, "Spirit, reveal my heart's deepest groanings!" Sit, quietly listening, and prepare to be surprised by the answer. How might knowing reframe your decision?

Or what if you inquired, "Spirit, what has been said that will help me decide?"

*"When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own but will tell you what he has heard. He will tell you*

*about the future.” Jesus Christ (John 16:13)*

God’s word is ripe with his explicit will – it’s almost always ample to direct our choices! Ask the Spirit to guide you into the Bible to enlighten you. Courageously obey what’s been said – you’ll make different decisions!

*Consider: **The will of God is the outpouring of Divine Love.***

Certainly, God’s heart points to his will...

*“This is real love—not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as a sacrifice to take away our sins.” The Apostle John (1 John 4:10)*

John declares that God is love and demonstrated Divine Love by doing the unthinkable—he sacrificed Jesus to save you! What’s this say about God’s heart? It’s his will to outpour Divine Love **For You!**

*“Since he did not spare even his own Son but gave him up for us all, won’t he also give us everything else?” The Apostle Paul (Romans 8:32)*

How might knowing his exceeding generosity encourage one path over another?

Ask the Spirit this daring question, “What’s song of God’s is heart bearing down on me?”

*“And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them. For God knew his people in advance, and he chose them to become like his Son, so that his Son would be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters.” The Apostle Paul (Romans 8:28-29)*

Like the earth’s pressures transform coal into diamonds, God’s heart song is to shape you to become like Jesus... precious, pure. It’s God’s will to outpour Divine Love **On You!**



Divine Love extends far beyond the love we comprehend – it willingly sacrificed Jesus! It comes upon us to shape us with encouragement, refine us with discipline... even suffering! Expressed through everything God does – Compassion, Truth, Judgement, Actions – Divine Love strips us of everything impure, painful as this is, and generously gives us everything of eternal value.

Ask the Spirit, “Is Divine Love **On Me** pressing me to make a transforming sacrifice? A different decision? What thinking must I

change?”

*Imagine: **My Mission outpouring Through Me because Divine Love is outpouring On Me.***

Perhaps whether to go left or right is the outcome following the Spirit's responses to these other questions?

*“And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him. Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.” The Apostle Paul (Romans 12:1-2)*

Paul states it clearly – succumbing to the outpouring of Divine Love **On You** leads to Divine Love outpouring **Through You...** your Mission!

Next time you're at a fork in the road, get on Mission by bravely asking the Spirit “What's the outpouring of Divine Love...

**“... On Me?”**

Go off the grid and ask these questions:

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**Coach's Questions**

- Plead, “Spirit, reveal my heart’s deepest groanings!” Sit quietly and listen for his response.
- How will I learn more of God’s explicit will from the Bible?
- What is Divine Love **On Me** pressing me to surrender? What thinking must I change?”
- Don’t know my Mission? [Start here!](#)

## Spirit Talk

Post this where you will see it regularly.

**Ask "What is Divine Love pressing On Me?"**

*“Don’t act thoughtlessly, but understand what the Lord  
wants you to do.”*

*The Apostle Paul | Ephesians 5:17 (NLT)*



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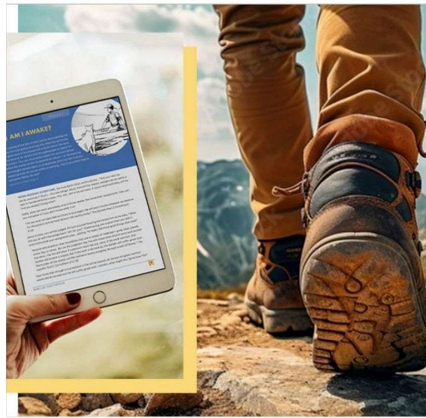
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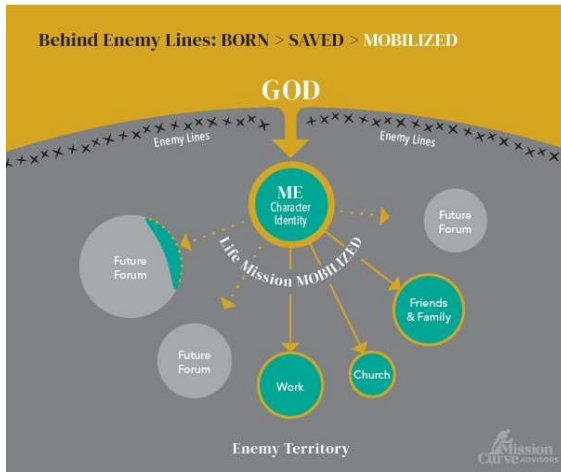


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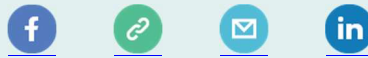


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