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Looking For A Sign Pt. 1

The Promise of Guidance

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Psalm 23:1-3 (NIV): A psalm of David. The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake.

Psalm 25:8-9 (NIV): Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in his ways. He guides the humble in what is right and teaches them his way.

Psalm 32:8 (NIV): I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you.

Isaiah 48:17 (NIV): This is what the LORD says-- your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel: "I am the LORD your God, who teaches you what is best for you, who directs you in the way you should go.

Romans 8:14 (NIV): For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God.

LIMITING FEAR #1: GOD ONLY GIVES GUIDANCE TO SOME PEOPLE

John 10:3-4 (NIV): The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice.

LIBERATING TRUTH #1: GOD PROMISES GUIDANCE FOR ALL HIS PEOPLE

LIMITING FEAR #2: I DOUBT MY ABILITY TO FIGURE OUT WHERE GOD IS GUIDING

John 10:14-15 (NIV): I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me-- just as the Father knows me and I know the Father--and I lay down my life for the sheep.

LIBERATING TRUTH #2: GOD KNOWS ME COMPLETELY AND WILL GUIDE ME SUCCESSFULLY

LIMITING FEAR #3: MY OWN SINFULNESS WILL KEEP ME FROM RECEIVING GOD'S GUIDANCE

Isaiah 53:6 (NLT): All of us, like sheep, have strayed away. We have left God's paths to follow our own. Yet the LORD laid on him the sins of us all.

LIBERATING TRUTH #3: GOD HAS MADE PROVISION FOR MY SIN AND WILL GUIDE IN SPITE OF MY WAYWARDNESS

LIMITING FEAR #4: ONE WRONG CHOICE COULD CAUSE ME TO FALL OUT OF GOD'S PLAN FOR MY LIFE

Proverbs 3:5-6 (NIV): Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.

LIBERATING TRUTH #4: GOD WILL WORK THROUGH MY CHOICES TO ACCOMPLISH HIS PURPOSE