

Two Guidelines for Dependence on God

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To live wholly dependent on the Lord, we must be convinced of God's will and pray with unwavering faith for power to obey.

Scripture: Isaiah 30:19, Isaiah 30:21, John 16:13-14, James 1:6-7

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Description

David Wilkerson emphasizes that living in complete dependence on God requires understanding two key guidelines. First, believers must trust that the Holy Spirit is eager to reveal God's will, even in the minutiae of life, guiding them through their decisions. Second, unwavering faith in prayer is essential for receiving the strength to obey God's direction, as doubt can hinder one's ability to follow through. Wilkerson reassures that God will communicate clearly to those who earnestly seek His guidance, especially during times of affliction or uncertainty.

Transcript

There is no formula for living wholly dependent on the Lord, but there are simple guidelines that you can consider. First, be convinced that the Lord is anxious and willing to make his will known to you, even in the smaller details of your life. The Holy Spirit who abides in you knows God's will for you and he will guide, lead and speak to you.

"When He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth ... He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you" (John 16:13-14). Jesus is telling us that the Holy Spirit will convey to us the mind and will of God. "When He hears [your voice], He will answer you ... Your ears shall hear a word behind you, saying, 'This is the way, walk in it'" (Isaiah 30:19, 21).

You may be in the midst of an affliction or suffering as the result of a hasty decision. The Lord promises you, "Your inner ear will hear my Spirit speaking to you, 'Go that way. Do this. Don't do that.'"

Second, we must pray with unwavering faith for power to obey God's direction. Scripture says, "Let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind. For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord" (James 1:6-7).

When God tells us to do something, we need power to stay the course and obey him fully. Satan and the flesh will always plant doubts and questions and we need strength from heaven not to say "yes" to a

situation when Jesus has said "no."

When you are not sure you recognize the voice of God, reach out to him in faith. Praying, pleading, weeping are not enough if you do not believe the Holy Spirit will guide you. God does not deceive his people and he will make his will clear to you when you seek him.

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