

Study Guide  
Led – Week 4 (07/21/24)  
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**Key verse for this series:**

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

Romans 8:14 (NLT)

Throughout this series, we have discussed several important truths about what it means to be led by God. Take a moment to reflect on these truths we've already discussed:

- 1) God has a specific plan for our life, and it's vitally important for us to find that plan and walk in it.
- 2) God has a plan for our life, but it doesn't mean we will automatically walk in it. We have a part to play – God will graciously lead, but we must willingly follow.
- 3) One reason God's children miss God's plan for their life is because they don't recognize the voice of God.
- 4) God always leads us in line with His Word.

**This week we are discussing another way that God speaks to us:**

- 5) **A main way God leads his children is through the inward witness.**

Romans 8:16 (NKJV)

*The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God.*

We have a supernatural inward compass that will guide us to the destination God has for our lives.

**Read John 3:1-6.**

**What does Jesus mean when he tells Nicodemus that he must be “born again”?**

**Why is it so important that we become born again?**

Jesus told Nicodemus – being born again doesn't mean physically going back into your mother's womb and coming out again. It is not a physical rebirth but a spiritual rebirth.

When we accepted Christ as our Lord and Savior, our spirit man (which was dead in sin) was recreated and came alive to God.

Romans 7:9 (NKJV)

*I was alive once without the law, but when the commandment came, sin revived, and I died.*

**Read Matthew 18:10; Matthew 18:1-5; Matthew 21:15-16; Psalm 8:1-2.**

**Have you ever noticed how easy it is for a child to worship God?**

**Why is it so easy for children to believe and worship God?**

The Apostle Paul said, “When I was a child, my spirit was alive to God; but there came a moment in my life, that I had a knowledge of sin and when that occurred, I died spiritually.” And that is why Jesus told Nicodemus, “You must be born again.”

When we were born again; not only did we get recreated on the inside, born again, and receive a new spirit – God came to live inside of us.

**Read Romans 8:9-10; John 14:16-17.**

**How do these passages tell us that God wants to lead/speak to us?**

**How can we know that it is the Holy Spirit leading us (John 14:17)?**

Rom. 8:14-16 (NKJV)

*For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, “Abba, Father.” The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God.*

God has given us the guide inside to lead us from the inside out, not the outside in. We have a supernatural inward compass that will guide us to the destination God has for our lives.

HOW DOES THAT INWARD COMPASS WORK – HOW DOES THE SPIRIT WITNESS?

- 1) The inward compass will always be a sense of peace.
  - a. **Read Colossians 3:15.**
  - b. The word “rule” in this verse means “to act as an umpire”.
- 2) The inward compass will make things seem good to you AND to spiritually mature accountability partners.
  - a. **Read Acts 15:22-28.**
  - b. **How did the apostles and elders come to their decision in this passage?**
  - c. **Read Proverbs 11:14.**

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