

Your Great Destiny Discovered and Empowered in Him

Key Promise: Psa 34:10

The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing. *NKJV*

How you can discover your highest destiny as you seek His Heavenly Power.

We make decisions all the time. Some are destiny-making decisions. Some are day-to-day decisions. Many make the mistake of getting into the rut of doing the same thing over and over again and expecting a different result. No wonder they don't experience major breakthroughs. Sometimes, God calls us to launch 'into the deep'! How to make the right decision?

Matt 5:6

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, For they shall be filled. *NKJV*

Context: Matt 6:33

But seek ye first the reign of God and His righteousness, and all these shall be added to you. *YLT*

Kingdom βασιλεια *basileia*: **Reign**, rule, authority, power.

I. SEEK HIM AND ALL THESE THINGS SHALL BE ADDED

Deut 1:33

He goes before you looking for the best places to camp, guiding you with a pillar of fire by night and a pillar of cloud by day. *NLT*

What happens when you seek Him first?

Psa 32:8-9

The Lord says, "I will guide you along the best pathway for your life. I will advise you and watch over you.

⁹Do not be like a senseless horse or mule that needs a bit and bridle to keep it under control." *NLT*

How to seek Him first?

Isa 55:1-3

"Is anyone thirsty? Come and drink - even if you have no money! Come, take your choice of wine or milk - it's all free!

²Why spend your money on food that does not give you strength? Why pay for food that does you no good? Listen to me, and you will eat what is good. You will enjoy the finest food. ³"Come to me with your ears wide open. Listen, and you will find life. I will make an everlasting covenant with you. I will give you all the unfailing love I promised to David. *NLT*

Focus on what **matters** most. Do things that **outlast** your time on this earth.

Why was Solomon not happy despite his achievements and enjoyment?

Eccle 2:3-11

⁴I enlarged my works: I built houses for myself, I planted vineyards for myself;

⁵I made gardens and parks for myself and I planted in them all kinds of fruit trees;

⁸Also, I collected for myself silver and gold and the treasure of kings and provinces. I provided for myself male and female singers and the pleasures of men — many concubines.

⁹Then I became great and increased more than all who preceded me in Jerusalem. My wisdom also stood by me.

¹¹Thus I considered all my activities which my hands had done and the labor which I had exerted, and behold all was vanity and striving after wind and there was no profit under the sun. *NASB*

What is the key to happiness and fulfillment?

Col 1:17

He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. *NIV*

Deut 8:18

Col 3:23-24

II. LET HIM GUIDE YOU

Prov 3:5-8

⁵**Trust** in the LORD with all your **heart**, do not depend on your own understanding. ⁶**Seek** his will in all you do, and He will direct your paths. *NIV/NLT*

Crown your effort with success. *LB*

Psa 23:1-3

The LORD is my shepherd; I have everything I need. ²He lets me rest in fields of green grass and leads me to quiet pools of fresh water. ³He gives me new strength. He guides me in the right paths, as he has promised. *TEV*

How does He guide you personally?

1. yourself in the Lord

Psa 37:4

Delight yourself in the LORD and he will give you the **desires** of your heart. *NIV*

How to delight yourself in the Lord?

Delight by *your journey*

How do you enjoy your journey?

Psa 23:5-6

⁵You prepare a feast for me in the presence of my enemies. You welcome me as a guest, anointing my head with oil. My cup overflows with blessings. *NLT*

Delight by resting in His

Why does God seem to delay in answering our prayers?

John 11:5-6

Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. ⁶So, when He heard that he was sick, He stayed two more days in the place where He was. *NKJV*

Isa 60:22

A little one shall become a thousand, and a small one a strong nation. I, the Lord, will hasten it in its time. *NKJV*

Delight by yourself

What are we to do while ‘waiting’?

Psa 68:5-6

A father of the fatherless, a defender of widows, Is God in His holy habitation.
⁶God sets the **solitary** in **families**. *NIV*

Solitary: One and only, unique, complete, beloved.

Prov 30:21-23

There are three things that make the earth tremble - no, four it cannot endure:
²²a slave who becomes a king, an overbearing fool who prospers, ²³a bitter woman who finally gets a husband, a servant girl who supplants her mistress.
NLT

Delight by in the Holy Spirit

What happens when you pray in the Spirit?

Jude 1:20-21

But you, beloved, building yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit, ²¹keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life. *NKJV*

Eph 6:17-18

Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. ¹⁸**And** pray in the Spirit. *NIV*

And: by means of

Isa 30:21

Your own ears will hear him. Right behind you a voice will say, "This is the way you should go, "whether to the right or to the left. *NLT*

2. Have a heart

1 Kings 3:9

So give Your servant an understanding heart to judge Your people to discern between good and evil. For who is able to judge this great people of Yours?"
NASB

How to have a hearing heart?

Psa 16:5-9

Lord, you alone are my inheritance, my cup of blessing. **You guard** all that is mine. ⁶The land you have given me is a pleasant land. What a wonderful inheritance! ⁷I will bless the Lord who guides me; even at **night** my heart instructs me. ⁸I know the Lord is always with me. I will not be shaken, for he is right beside me. ⁹No wonder my heart is glad, and I rejoice. My body **rests** in safety. *NLT*

What is the key way God speaks to us today?

Often God speaks to us through very simple impressions and creative ideas. Being created in His Image, we have a measure of that creativity.

1 Kings 19:12

And after the earthquake a fire; but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a still small voice. *KJV*

NIV: Gentle voice

Luke 11:29

... This is an evil generation. It seeks a sign, and no sign will be given to it except the sign of Jonah the prophet. *NKJV*

What about Judges 6:37-40 where Gideon asked for a sign?

How does God lead us?

Prov 4:18

The path of the righteous is like the first gleam of dawn, shining brighter till the full light of day." *NIV*

How do I know an idea or an opportunity is from God?

Phil 4:6-7

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. ⁷And the **peace** of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. *NIV*

3. Build your life upon the of God

Why is it in some instances, we don't even have to ask God?

Psa 12:6

And the words of the Lord are flawless, like silver refined in a furnace of clay, purified seven times. *NIV*

Psa 119:130

The unfolding (entrance) of Your words gives light; It gives understanding to the simple. *NASB*

2 Tim 3:16

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness. *NIV*

Psa 1:1-3

Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of the scornful;

²But his delight is in the law of the Lord, And in His law he meditates day and night. ³He shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that brings forth its fruit in its season, whose leaf also shall not wither; And **whatever** he does shall prosper. *NKJV*

4. Surround yourself with counselors

Why did Solomon shine with such brilliance?

1 Kings 4:2-3

And these were his high officials: Azariah son of Zadok was the priest. ³Elihoreph and Ahijah, the sons of Shisha, were court secretaries. Jehoshaphat son of Ahilud was the royal historian. *NLT*

2 Chron 20:20

Have faith in the LORD your God and you will be established; have faith in his prophets and you will be successful. *NIV*

Why is it important to stay in fellowship with the local church?

Heb 10:25

Let us not give up the habit of meeting together, as some are doing. Instead, let us encourage one another all the more, since you see that the Day of the Lord is coming nearer. *TEV*

1 Cor 1:7

Why does the enemy want you to stay away from the fellowship of the local church?

Mark 5:5

Night and day among the tombs and in the hills he would **cry** out and **cut himself** with stones. *NIV*

Why is it important to mix with the right people?

Prov 12:26

The righteous should choose his friends carefully, For the way of the wicked leads them astray. *NKJV*

Prov 13:20

Become wise by walking with the wise; hang out with fools and watch your life fall to pieces. *Mess*

5. Step in faith

What are you to do when you hear from God?

2 Chron 14:7

"Let us build up these towns," he said to Judah, "and put walls around them, with towers, gates and bars. The land is still ours, because we have sought the LORD our God; we sought him and he has given us rest on every side." So they built and prospered. *NIV*

Ruth 2:2-3

And Ruth the Moabitess said to Naomi, "Please let me go to the field and glean among the ears of grain after one in whose sight I may find **favor**." And she said to her, "Go, my daughter." ³So she departed and went and gleaned in the field after the reapers; and she **happened** to come to the portion of the field belonging to Boaz ... *NASB*

Psa 77:19

Your road led by a pathway through the sea - a pathway no one knew was there! *TLB*

Adventure this week:

1. Memorize Psa 34:10 and write this verse from memory here:
2. What do I need to do to rest more in Him?
3. What are the areas in which God is leading me to develop myself as I wait for His right timing?
4. Who are the people the Lord is leading me to mix with more?
5. What are the areas you feel the Lord is leading you to step out in faith?

Today's Article

How to Receive your Prophecies

1. Be Open to prophetic words but confirm the word with:

The **Bible** and the **Inner peace**, Col 3:15.

Prophecies **strengthen, encourage** and **comfort**, 1 Cor 14:3.

Do not receive any negative vision that causes unrest.

Do not make a **major decision** solely on the basis of one prophecy. Let there be 2 or 3 **witnesses**, Matt 18:16.

Let the word also be **evaluated** and **confirmed** by **mature leaders**, 1 Cor 14:29; Acts 13:1-3.

Record the prophecies and see all the prophecies as a **whole** and the correct **understanding** will emerge, not our **own** interpretation, 2 Pet 1:20.

2. Rest in God's timing and His way

Do not walk **ahead** of God trying to fulfill prophecies in our **own ways** that can cause trouble.

God's ways are **higher** than our ways, Isa 55:9. He will not be one second **late**.
"I, the Lord, will hasten it in its time." Isa 60:22. Fight the good fight of faith.
1 Tim 6:12

3. Seek the Blessor and not merely the blessing

Pursue what **matters most**. Seek His face and not just His hands. Seek ye **first** the **reign** of God and **His righteousness**, and all these things shall be **added** to you. Matt 6:33 YLT

Rest in God's gift of righteousness in Christ, Rom 5:17.