

HOW DO I KNOW WHAT IS BEST? SERIES: PRAY, PART 4

And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more, in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best. . . Philippians 1:9-10

The key to knowing what is best is knowing God.

Three great pillars we can utilize when we're trying to know God and know what is best. . .

1. SEEK GODLY COUNSEL

Plans fail for lack of counsel but with many advisers they succeed. Proverbs 15:22

2. PRAY AND LISTEN

Inner promptings by God's Spirit. . .

- Simeon was “moved by the Spirit” to go into the temple where Joseph and Mary were dedicating Jesus to God (Luke 2:27).
- Jesus was “led by the Spirit” into the desert to be tempted by the devil (Luke 4:1).
- Paul was “compelled by the Spirit” to go to Jerusalem (Acts 20:22).

3. FIND OUT WHAT GOD'S SAYS IN HIS WORD

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

I will guide you along the best pathway for your life. I will advise you and watch over you. Psalm 32:8 (NLT)

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor. . . Isaiah 9:6