

Knowing God's Will

Types of Decisions

- Instant Decision
- Major Decisions
- Everyday Decisions

Four Dimensions of Every Action

1. Action

- Prohibited
- Commanded
- Matters of Indifference

2. Attitude (Prov 21:2)

3. Motive (Matt 6:1-2)

4. Result / Consequences (Rom 14:15-16)

Sources of Information and Guidance

- The Bible
- The Situation (Luke 14:28-32) and alternatives
- Self Awareness (Rom 12:3)
- Advice (Prov 11:14)
- Circumstances (Judg 6:36-40)
- Conscience (1 Pet 3:16; 1 Tim 1:18-19)
- The Heart / Aspirations (2 Cor 9:7; 1 Tim 3:1)
- Your spirit (2 Cor 2:12-13)
- Leading of the Holy Spirit? (1 Thess 5:19-21)

Danger of Overcomplication

- Pray (Jas 1:5)
- Grow in knowledge and discernment (Phil 1:9-10; Heb 5:14)

Acquiring Wisdom (Prov 3:13-17)

- A skill to be developed (Luke 2:52)
- A gift from God (Prov 2:6)
- Acquired through Bible study (Ps 19:7)
- Accompanied by fear of the Lord / Humility (Ps 111:10; Rom 3:10-18; Prov 3:7)
- Accompanied by faith (Jas 1:5-8)
- Accompanied by knowledge (Prov 24:3-5)
- Accompanied by obedience (Jas 3:13)
- Accepts wise counsel (Prov 12:15)
- Brings joy (Prov 24:13-14)