The Promise of God's Guidance

Psalm 25:9

"He guides the humble in what is right and teaches them His way"





Psalm 32:1-11^{NLT}

- 1 Oh, what joy for those whose disobedience is forgiven, whose sin is put out of sight!
- Yes, what joy for those whose record the LORD has cleared of guilt, whose lives are lived in complete honesty!

SONG of DELIVERANCE

When I refused to confess my sin, my body wasted away, & I groaned all day long.

4 Day and night Your Hand of discipline was heavy on me.
My strength evaporated like water in the summer heat.

SONG of DELIVERANCE

5 Finally, I confessed all my sins to You and stopped trying to hide my guilt.

I said to myself, "I will confess my rebellion to the LORD." And You forgave me! All my guilt is gone.

Therefore, let all the Godly pray to You while there is still time, that they may not drown in the floodwaters of judgment. DELIVERANCE

7 For You are my hiding place; You protect me from trouble. You surround me with songs of victory.

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

- 9 Do not be like a senseless horse or mule that needs a bit and bridle to keep it under control."
- 10 Many sorrows come to the wicked, but unfailing love surrounds those who trust the LORD.
- 11 So rejoice in the LORD and be glad, all you who obey Him!
 Shout for joy, all you whose hearts are pure!

What in the world is God calling me to do?

What is the significance of my existence?

Where are you on your Spiritual Journey?

DIVINEDIRECTION

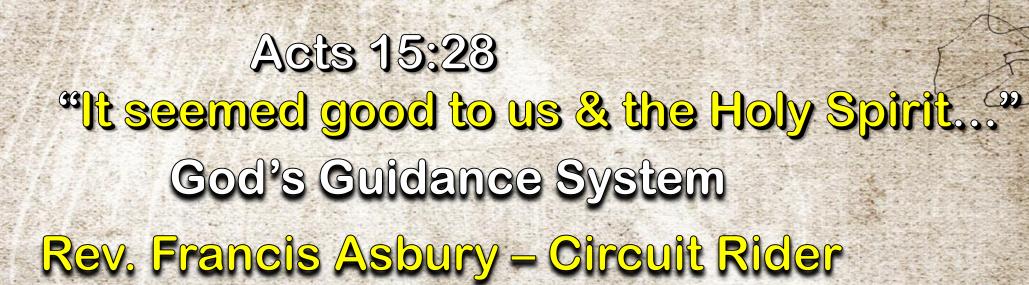
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Precious Lord, take my hand Lead me on, let me stand I'm tired, I'm weak, I'm lone Through the storm, through the night Lead me on to the light Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home Thomas Dorsey



The Urim and the Thummin







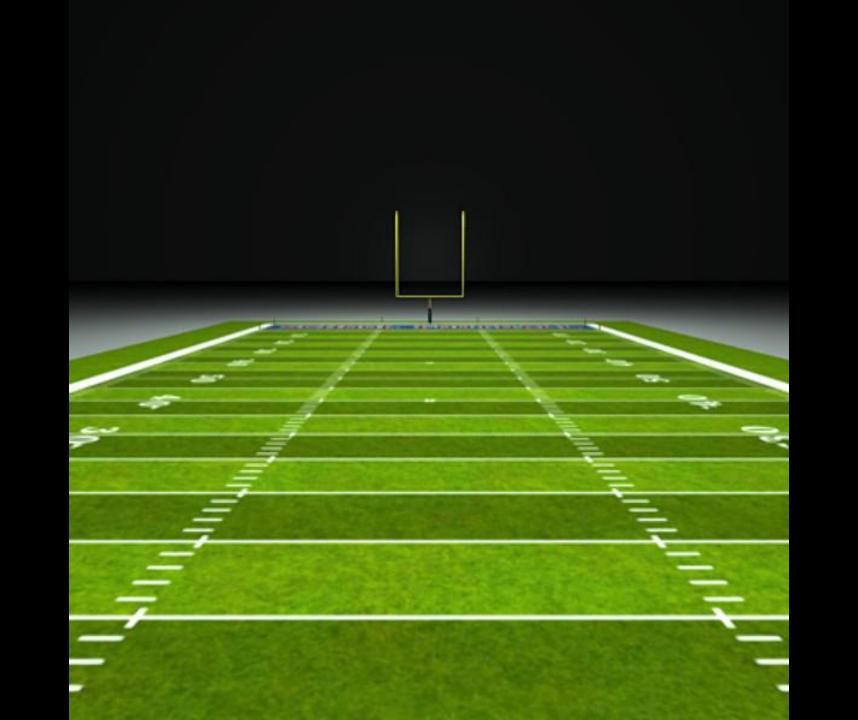


John 16:12-15 NASB

12 "I have many more things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now.

13 "But when He, the Spirit of Truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth; for He will not speak on His own initiative, but whatever He hears, He will speak; and He will disclose to you what is to come.



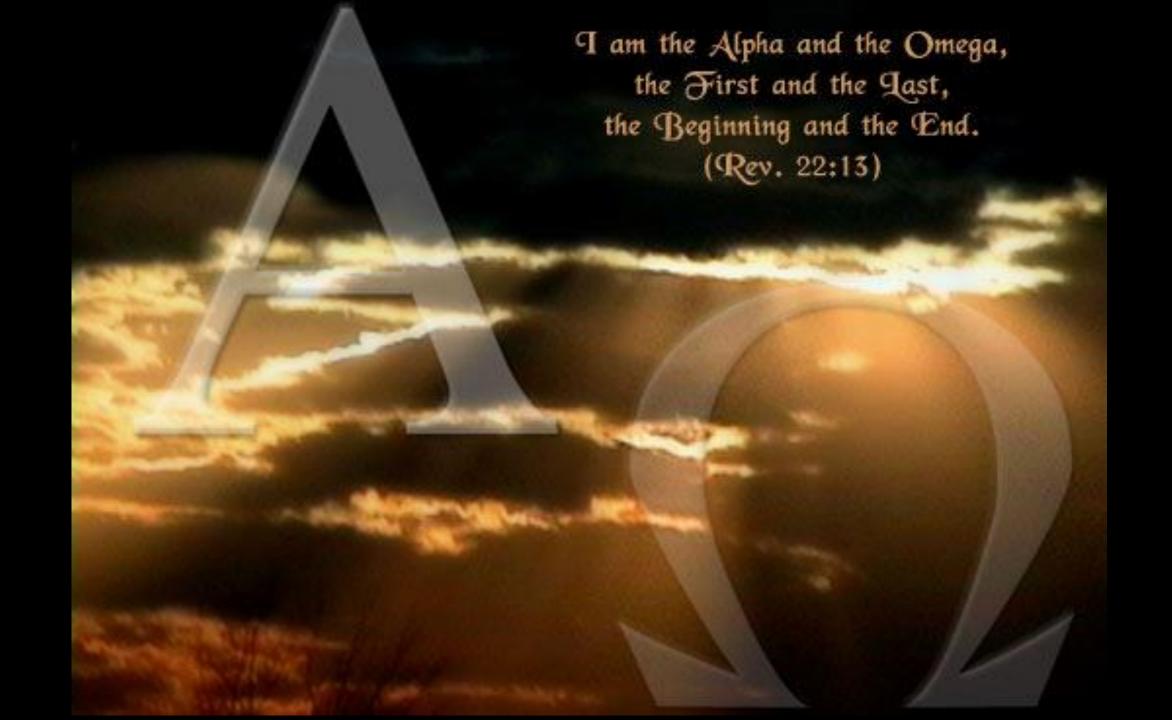




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With God Timing is More Important than Time



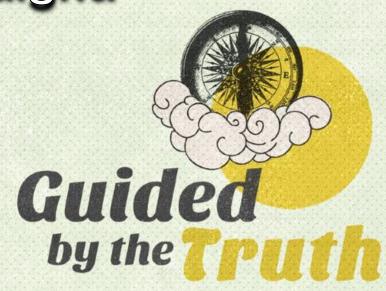
1. Read your Bible: It will define the playing field & boundaries

Psalm 119:105 NASB
105 Your word is a lamp to my feet
And a light to my path.



Proverbs 3:5-6 NASB

- 5 Trust in the LORD with all your heart And do not lean on your own understanding.
- 6 In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He will make your paths straight.



2. Pray



John 16:13 "But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth;

Romans 8:14

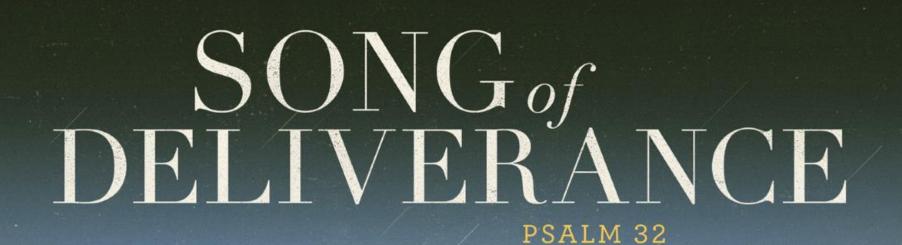
"For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God."

1 Kings 19:12 "a still, small voice"

Pray from the Heart

3. Visions and Dreams

Exodus 13:21^{NASB} The LORD was going before them in a pillar of cloud by day to lead them on the way, and in a pillar of fire by night to give them light, that they might travel by day and by night.



Exodus from Egypt

2nd Greatest Miracle in Bible

Acts 16:6-10 NASB

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They passed through the Phrygian and Galatian region, having been forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Asia;



7 and after they came to Mysia,
they were trying to go into Bithynia,
and the Spirit of Jesus did not permit them;
and passing by Mysia, they came down to Troas.

A vision appeared to Paul in the night:
a man of Macedonia was standing
and appealing to him, and saying,
"Come over to Macedonia and help us."

10 When he had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.





4. Reason or Discernment

Jeremiah 17:9

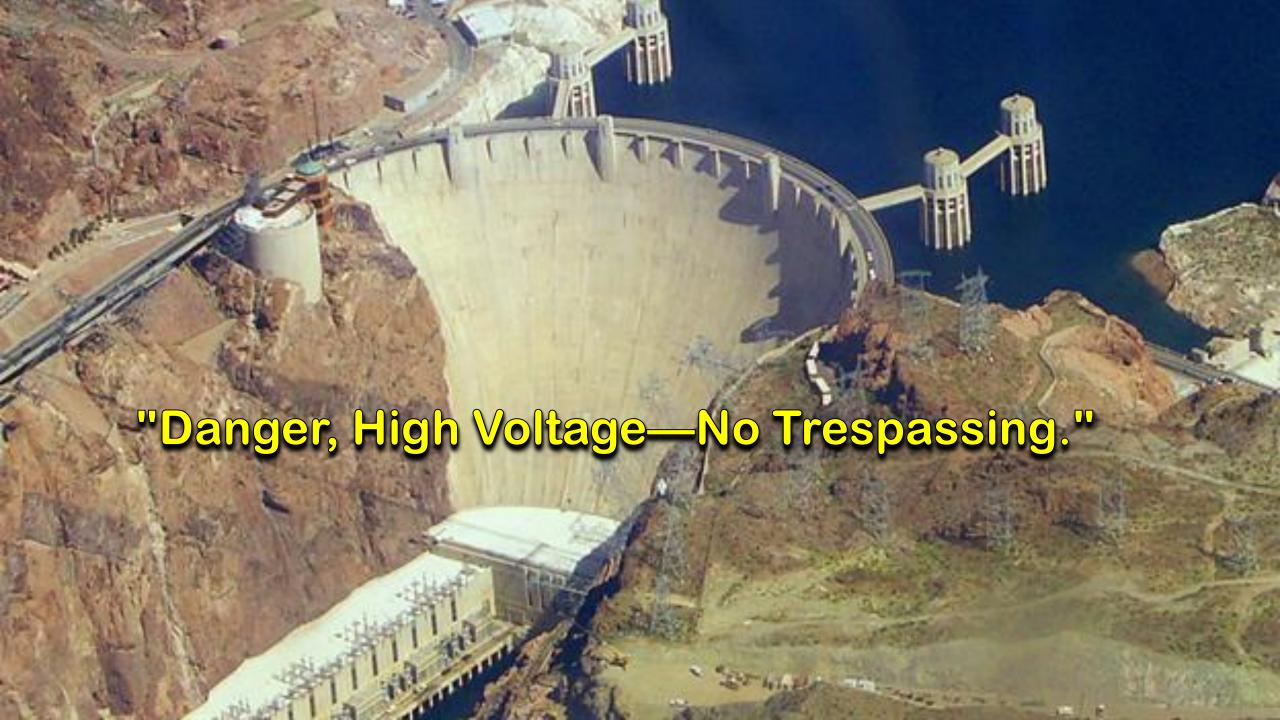
"The heart is more deceitful than all else and is desperately sick;
Who can understand it?

Isaiah 1:18 NASB "Come now, and let us reason together," 18 Says the LORD, "Though your sins are as scarlet, They will be as white as snow; Though they are red like crimson, They will be like wool.

"If you consent and obey, 19 You will eat the best of the land; "But if you refuse and rebel, 20 You will be devoured by the sword." Truly, the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

Romans 12:1-2 NASB Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship. And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good & acceptable & perfect.





5. Advice from a Christian friend or counselor

Proverbs 11:14 NASB

14 Where there is no guidance the people fall,
But in abundance of counselors there is victory.

Quakers Clearance Committee



Can you think of anything in your life that is "Big" to God?

6. The Open Door:

Acts 14:27 NASB When they had arrived 27 and gathered the church together, they began to report all things that God had done with them and how He had opened a door of faith to the Gentiles.

And they spent a long time with the disciples.

7. The Providence of God

- **Psalm 23:1-3** NASB
- 1 The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.
 - He makes me lie down in green pastures;
 - He leads me beside quiet waters.
- 3 He restores my soul;
 - He guides me in the paths of righteousness For His name's sake.

8. The Step of Faith

Acts 5:32 NASB
"We are His witnesses to these things, and so also is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey Him."

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