

God *just tell me*

Week 1: Message

HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

There are four crucial components for a group to maintain its health: Word, prayer, relationships, and reaching out. In this guide, you will study the biblical passage in three steps: observation, interpretation, and application. As the group leader, you are free to use any part of this guide that can assist you in achieving this goal.

CONNECT

- What is the most impulsive thing you've ever done?
- On vacation, would you rather pre-plan your days or fly by the seat of your pants?
- What's your favorite thing to listen to right now? (A band, a podcast, anything!)

INTRODUCTION

Throughout this series we've been examining what it looks like to seek God's will in our lives. We've learned about the different types of God's will (his sovereign will over all creation, his moral will for us as people, and his personal will for each of us.) This week we're asking "What do I do when God's will seems unclear?" Instead of panicking, freezing, or making impulsive decisions, Scripture tells us to trust God while paying attention to opened and closed doors, seeking wisdom, and doing the next faithful thing.

OBSERVATIONS & INTERPRETATION

Read: Proverbs 3:5-8

Discuss:

- What things are we actively instructed to do in this passage, and what are we instructed to turn away from?
- What is the promise attached to these instructions?

Read: Acts 16:6-7 and 1 Cor 16:8-9

Discuss:

- In these two passages, how does God communicate his will through the situations Paul faces?
- How does Paul respond?

APPLICATION

- Are you more inclined right now to "trust in the Lord with all your heart" or to "lean on your own understanding"? What helps you to move more towards trusting in God?
- Where are there open or closed doors in your life at the moment? How does this conversation help you view those as being from God?
- Is there an area of your life where God seems quiet right now? What might the next faithful step be in that area?

PRAYER

- Ask God for hearts that fully trust him. If there are specific situations where people are struggling to trust God, pray over those situations.
- Ask God to speak to you about the next faithful step in areas of life where his will seems unclear.