Divine Guidance – 1
“God’s Voice”

Romans 8:12-16 (KJV)

1. Verse 14 …. are led / …. are the sons of God
2. Verse 16 … Holy Spirit bears witness to our spirit
   * Primary way God leads us is by His Spirit in our spirit.
   * Primary way God speaks to us is in our spirit.

3. God is leading; we’re just not always heeding.
   God is speaking; we’re just not hearing or responding.
   Psalm 37:23 (KJV)

4. “IF THAT’S TRUE …… HOW DID I END UP……. ?
   a. It’s not automatic
   b. You have to mix faith with this promise (Hebrews 4:2)
   c. It requires repentance = change mind and direction
      Example – GPS (directions)

John 10:1-5 (KJV)
vs. 15-16 (KJV)

1. Relationship (This is what God has always wanted)
   * Healthy relationships are built on communication.
   * The level or depth of relationship hinges on communication.

2. New “Birth right”
   Our divine design is to hear God
   Divine guidance is our inheritance

Revelation 3:19-22 (KJV)

1. If we hear (choose) and open (mix faith) “sup”
   NLT …… share a meal together as friends.
2. Our level of intimacy is connected to hearing and mixing faith with God’s voice (inner witness)

[ Why Do So Many Struggle With God’s Voice or Hearing God? ]
[ Top 5 ]

1. Media reports (movies, newspapers, evening news)
   “Only kooks hear God.”
   (serial killers / people going postal / mom drowns baby)

2. People using God’s name in vain (#3 of big 10)
God said ….. God said ….. God said …..
No change / no fruit / no repentance
Manipulate others with “God said.”

3. God’s voice is a threat to false or dead religion
   Religion only **THRIVES** where God’s not **ALIVE**.
   A mute God is vital to religion.
   Example: worshiping a stone bird
   It doesn’t talk / no obedience required / no relationship / submission / accountability

4. The way we’re trained to think in the West
   Five senses driven / human reason led
   * if it can’t be perceived with the five senses, IT’S NOT REAL, LEGITIMATE, VALID, TRUE…..

5. People simply do not recognize God’s voice
   Dis – regard
   Dis – miss
   In some rare cases …. dis – obey
   How does God speak / how do I know it’s Him, not just me / how do I discern or judge…