

Supernaturally Natural Guidance (Part 2)

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- **God's guidance in Psalm 37**

- ✓ **Our part:**

- (v. 1) "Do not fret because of evildoers."

- "Fret" = Heb. *Charvah* (to burn) [English "char"]

- (v. 3)

- "Trust in the Lord "

- "do good"

- "dwell in the land" (stay put)

- "feed on (enjoy and be blessed by) His faithfulness"

- (v. 4) "Delight . . . in the Lord"

- (v. 5) "Commit your way to the Lord"

- (v. 7)

- "Rest in the Lord "

- "Wait patiently for Him"

- ✓ **God's part:**

- (v. 4) "He shall give you the (deepest) desires of your heart."

- (v. 5) "He shall bring it (the deepest desires of your heart) to pass"

- (v. 6)

- "He shall (show/display) your righteousness"

- "and (will bring to pass) justice (for you)"

- Divine guidance is basically getting God's viewpoint.

- ✓ God often guides through "holy hunches."

- Example: Spiritual gifts
 - ✓ It is self-defeating to demand perfection in the operation of spiritual gifts.
 - ✓ Prophecy:
 - Old Testament (Deuteronomy 18:22)
 - New Testament (1 Thessalonians 5:19-21)
 - ✓ Virtually every aspect of new-covenant relationship with the Lord requires more of us.
 - ✓ Our New Testament covenant walk isn't meant to be *easier* – it's meant to be *better*.
 - ✓ One way our walk is “better” is that it includes others.
 - Old Testament prophets were usually loners.
 - We need others in order to walk in righteousness and integrity.
 - Our spiritual gifts require others as “testers.”

- A biblical concept: God clothes Himself in His people (e.g. Judges 6:34).
 - ✓ The Lord *looked like Gideon*. What was Gideon doing?
 - Blowing a trumpet (communicating)
 - Gathering the people
 - Sending messengers
 - Putting “fleeces” before the Lord
 - ✓ These were practical and reasonable acts which any leader would have done.

- Questions about the “calling” of the Lord
 - ✓ May take place in a supernatural experience
 - ✓ May take place in the pragmatic exercise of our faith-walk
 - ✓ Perhaps some are “called” and some are “put” into a ministry (1 Timothy 1:12).
 - ✓ Two questions:
 - What is the nature God has put into you?
 - How can you allow your natural flow to be supernaturally channeled in your present reality?