

LEADING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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Leading By the Spirit

- **Romans 8:12-14**
- So then, brothers and sisters, we are under obligation, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh (for if you live according to the flesh, you will die), **but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are the sons of God**

Leading by Spirit vs. Law & Flesh

- Galatians **5:18-19, 22-25**
- But I say, **walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh.** For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please. **But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the Law.**
- **Now the deeds of the flesh are** evident, which are: immorality, impurity, sensuality, ...
- **But the fruit of the Spirit is:** love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ...
- Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. **If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.**

God's Leading?

- What career/job should I have?
- Am I “called to ministry”?
- Whom should I marry?
- What church should I join?
- Where should I live?
- What college do I apply for?
- What kind of car should I drive?
- Should we have Chinese or Mexican food for dinner tonight?

Leading vs. _____

- Coming Upon
- Filling
- Abiding
- Teaching

“Leading” of Old Testament Saints

Who	What	How	Why
Noah	Change Vocation	Voice of God	Avoid Flood
Abraham	Change Locations	Voice of God	Chosen People
Lot	Change Locations	Angels	Avoid Destruction
Moses	Change Vocation	Voice of God	Free God's People
David	Change Vocation	Anointed by a Prophet	Be King

Where does He Lead?

Leading to a Wife

- **Genesis 24:27-28**
- He said, " Blessed be the LORD, the God of my master Abraham, who has not forsaken His lovingkindness and His truth toward my master; as for me, the LORD has **guided me in the way to the house of my master's brothers.**" And I bowed low and worshiped the LORD, and blessed the LORD, the God of my master Abraham, **who had guided me in the right way to take the daughter of my master's kinsman for his son.**

Leading To Living Water

- **Psalm 23:2**
He makes me lie down in green pastures; **He leads me beside quiet waters.**
- **Isaiah 49:10**
"They will not hunger or thirst, Nor will the scorching heat or sun strike them down; **For He who has compassion on them will lead them And will guide them to springs of water.**
- **Isaiah 58:11**
"**And the LORD will continually guide you, And satisfy your desire in scorched places,** And give strength to your bones; And you will be like a watered garden, And like a spring of water whose waters do not fail.



Leading To Safety

- **Psalm 31:3**
- For You are my rock and my fortress; For Your name's sake **You will lead me and guide me.**
- **Psalm 139:9-10**
If I take the wings of the dawn,
If I dwell in the remotest part of the sea, **Even there Your hand will lead me,**
And Your right hand will lay hold of me.
- **Isaiah 42:16**
"I will lead the blind by a way they do not know, In paths they do not know **I will guide them** I will make darkness into light before them And rugged places into plains These are the things I will do, And I will not leave them undone."

Leading to Righteousness

- **Psalm 139:24**

And see if there be any hurtful way in *me*, **And lead me in the everlasting way.**

- **Psalm 23:3**

He restores my soul; **He guides me in the paths of righteousness** For His name's sake.

- **Isaiah 48:17**

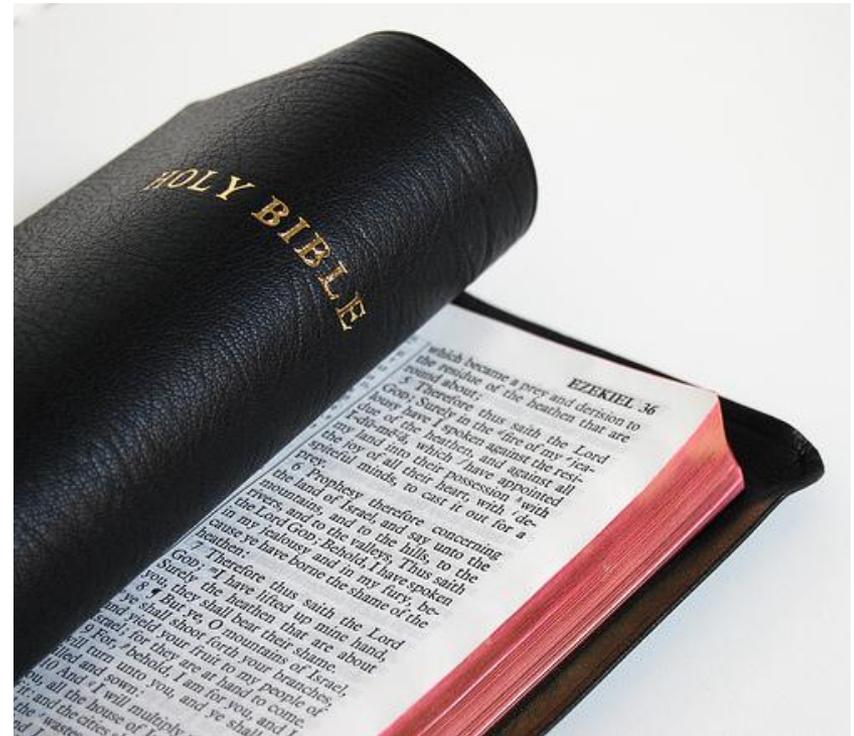
Thus says the LORD, your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel, "I am the LORD your God, **who teaches you** to profit, **Who leads you in the way you should go.**

Leading to Know What's Right

- **Psalm 25:5**
Lead me in Your truth and teach me, For You are the God of my salvation; For You I wait all the day.
- **Psalm 25:9**
He leads the humble in justice, And He teaches the humble **His way.**

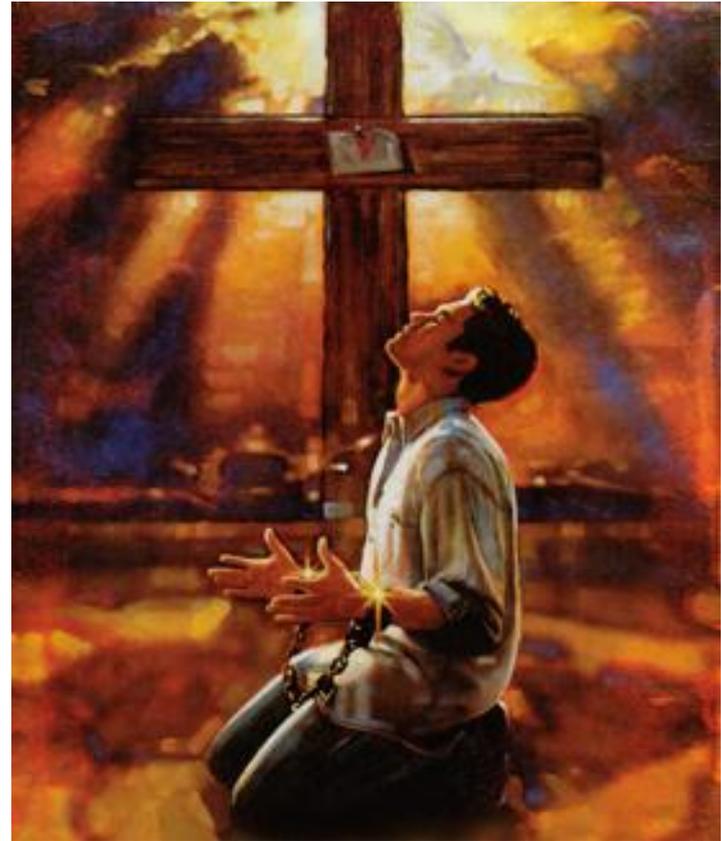
Leading To Truth

- John 16:13
- "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.



Leading To Repentance

- **Romans 2:4**
- Or do you think lightly of the riches of His kindness and tolerance and patience, not knowing that the **kindness of God leads you to repentance?**



Leading to Avoid Stumbling

- **Psalm 27:11**
Teach me Your way, O LORD, **And lead me in a level path**,
Because of my foes.
- **Psalm 143:10**
Teach me to do Your will, For You are my **God**; **Let Your good Spirit lead me on level ground**.

How does He Lead?

Literal Leading

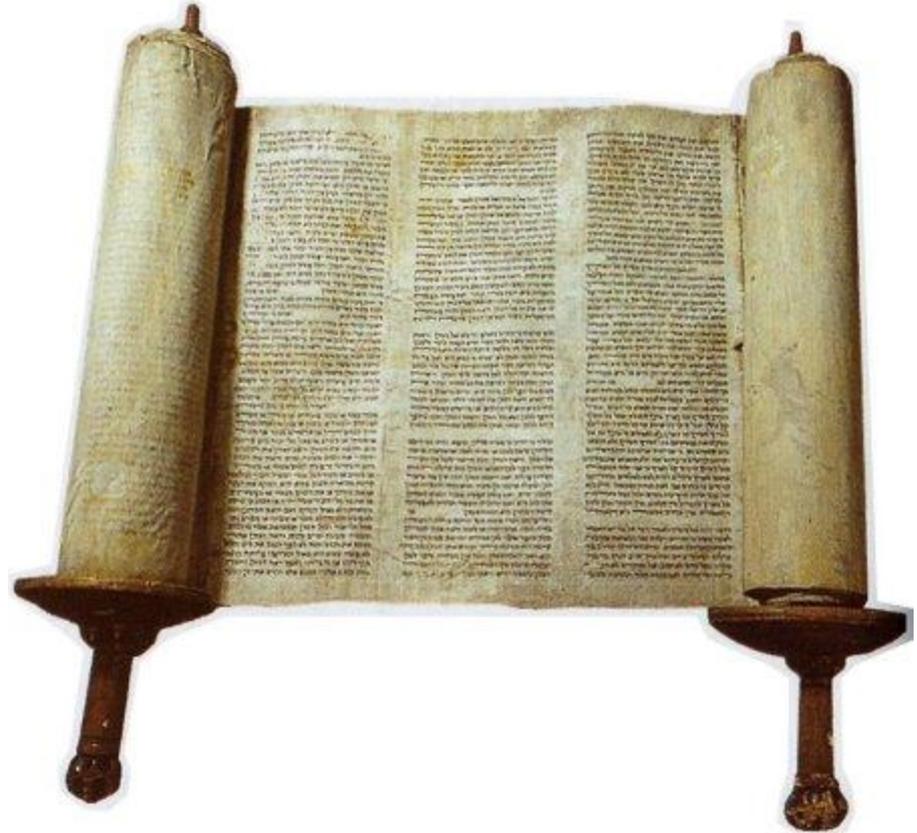
GEOGRAPHIC LEADING

Matt. 4:1, Mark 1:12-13,

Luke 2:25-27, 4:1-2

Leading By Scripture

- **Proverbs 6:22**
When you walk about, they will guide you; When you sleep, they will watch over you; And when you awake, they will talk to you.



Leading By Counselors

- **Proverbs 11:14**
Where there is no **guidance** the people fall, But in abundance of **counselors** there is victory.
- **Proverbs 20:18**
Prepare plans by **consultation**, And make war by wise **guidance**.
- **Proverbs 24:6**
For by **wise guidance you will wage war, And in abundance of counselors there is victory.**
- **Psalm 73:24**
With Your counsel You will guide me ,And afterward receive me to glory.

Leading By Example

- **Proverbs 11:3**

The integrity of the upright will **guide** them, But the crookedness of the treacherous will destroy them.

- **Proverbs 12:26**

The righteous one is a **guide** to his neighbor, But the way of the wicked leads them astray.

