

GUIDE

The Holy Spirit is the Person of the Trinity who guides us into obedience to God's truth.

SCRIPTURE*	MUSIC†
Psalm 32 Psalm 23 Psalm 73:23-26 Psalm 119:105-112 Luke 1:76-80 John 16:8-15 Acts 16:6-10 Romans 8:12-14 Galatians 5:16-26	By the Gentle Waters (Berry) SATB Channels Only God Leads Us Along Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah Have Thine Own Way, Lord He Leadeth Me How Firm a Foundation I Will Follow My Faith Looks Up to Thee My Shepherd Will Supply... (Wilberg) SATB Trust Him (Arr. Lynch) SATB We Will Follow



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* Daily preparatory readings shown in **bold**.

† Published choral and vocal music shown in **bold**.

PRESENTING & PROMOTING THIS THEME

LAMPS IN BIBLE TIMES

Psalm 119:105 says that God's Word is a "lamp to our feet." This type of lamp was small and was only sufficient only for lighting the next step. It's similar to a modern GPS device, which shows only the next turn we are to make. God's guidance is sufficient for the choices of today. As we follow and obey His Word in everyday decisions, He will illumine our path and guide us into wise choices. If we don't trust and obey Him in the small steps, we cannot expect to be following His will for us in "big things."

NOT MYSTICAL GUIDANCE

Use concepts from John Owen's article, "How Are Believers Guided Into All Truth?" The Holy Spirit guides us into all truth by illumining the Word of God to us. He does not lead us apart from it. The internal teaching of the Spirit gives us an understanding of God's Word we could not obtain on our own. The Spirit enables us to know, discern, and understand the mind and will of God as revealed in Scripture.

THOSE WHO ARE LED

Acts 8; Acts 16; Romans 8:14 | *Bible characters were often led very specifically by the Holy Spirit. Paul and Philip both experienced this kind of supernatural leading. But the Holy Spirit continues to guide believers today. Romans 8:14 teaches that those who are led by the Spirit are the sons of God. He convicts us of sin, helping us to stay within God's boundaries. He prompts us or gives us ideas/direction as we seek God's will. And He helps us to understand the application of God's Word to our individual circumstances. So how do we follow the Spirit's guidance? We have to listen! We must walk in the Spirit. How is the Holy Spirit guiding you in this season? Is He prompting you to talk to your neighbor? To increase your prayer life? To follow Him on a path you cannot clearly see? As He guides, you must follow.*