

# 1 SAMUEL



PURSUING GOD'S HEART

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1 SAMUEL 23

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If any of you lacks wisdom, let him  
ask of God, who gives to all liberally and  
without reproach, and it will be given to him.

**James 1:5**

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“ We are all so ready to go to books, to go to men, to go to ceremonies, to anything except to God. . . . Consequently, the text does not say, 'Let him ask books,' nor 'ask priests,' but, 'let him ask of God. ”

Charles Spurgeon

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- ◆ Subtly - With A Still Small Voice
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He who has an ear, let him hear what the  
Spirit says to the churches.

Revelation 3:6

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## 2. Ask God For Confirmation (v3-5)

### How Does God Give Confirmation?

- ◆ Simply - Through His Word
- ◆ Subtly - With A Still Small Voice
- ◆ Supernaturally - By Prophecy
- ◆ Special Circumstances

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3. Ask God For Clear Insight (v6-12)

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3. Ask God For Clear Insight (v6-12)

Beloved, do not think it strange concerning  
the fiery trial which is to try you, as though  
some strange thing happened to you;

1 Peter 4:12

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4. Ask God Questions Daily (v13-14)

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“ Believers can determine who is in control of our lives fairly easily by asking ourselves two test questions. Do I ask God for guidance, or do I ignore Him and make my own plans and decisions without praying? And, do I submit to His word, or do I disobey it, having ignored it or disregarded it? ”

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