



Mariner's **DISCOVERY** Church

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Program for Sunday, October 26, 2025

Please welcome the worship music team this week!

Call to Worship: *Build Your Kingdom Here*

Glory to Glory

Welcome, announcements, and prayer:

Announcements for Sunday 10/26/2025

Thanks for joining our Worship Service today....

- **PLEASE JOIN US FOR BIBLE STUDY THIS WED. OCTOBER 29th at 6:00 P.M.** here at the Fellowship House. We're studying Chapter 13 in the book of 1st Corinthians. You can also join online. Just go to our website at WWW.OurMDC.org and click on the Bible Study box. A copy of the study guide is on the back table.
- **Please signup to volunteer for the Christmas Tree Lot beginning Saturday, November 22nd.**

There are 2 signup sheets on the information table.

We still need drivers and helpers to deliver trees to customers. We will be setting up work schedules soon.

- **Please see the sign-up sheet on the information table if you can provide desserts on Sundays.** It would be good if we could alternate with different people. Thank You!!!
- **We're kicking off "Operation Christmas Child" Gift Boxes are available at the information table.** If you would like to be a co-ordinator, please let the Pastor or a Board member know.
- **If you have any prayer requests,** please fill out a Connect Envelope and place it in the wooden offering box in the back. Also, during the week you can email requests at: PrayerRequest@OurMDC.org

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Adoration: *10,000 Reasons*

Selected Scripture reading

Message: *The Wisdom of the Guidance of God*

Affirmation: *Greater*

Close of Worship Service, Fellowship continues

Selected Scriptures:

Proverbs 3:5-6 Trust in the Lord with all your heart

And do not lean on your own understanding.

In all your ways acknowledge Him,

And He will make your paths straight.

Psalms 32:8 I will instruct you and teach you in the way which you should go;

I will counsel you with My eye upon you.

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.

Psalms 25:4-5 Make me know Your ways, O Lord;

Teach me Your paths.

Lead me in Your truth and teach me,

For You are the God of my salvation;

For You I wait all the day.

Proverbs 16:9 The mind of man plans his way,

But the Lord directs his steps.

Psalms 119:105 Your word is a lamp to my feet

And a light to my path.

Psalms 119:133 Establish my footsteps in Your word,

And do not let any iniquity have dominion over me.

2 Timothy 3:16-17 All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work.

John 10:3-4 "To him the doorkeeper opens, and the sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he puts forth all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice."

Proverbs 11:14 Where there is no guidance the people fall,

But in abundance of counselors there is victory.

Proverbs 15:22 Without consultation, plans are frustrated,

But with many counselors they succeed.

Hebrews 13:7 Remember those who led you, who spoke the word of God to you; and considering the result of their conduct, imitate their faith.

John 14:26 "But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you.

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."

Romans 8:14 For all who are being led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God.

Galatians 5:25 If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

Colossians 3:15 Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body; and be thankful.

James 1:5 But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him.

Genesis 50:20 "As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good in order to bring about this present result, to preserve many people alive

Romans 8:28 And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.

Proverbs 19:21 Many plans are in a man's heart,

But the counsel of the Lord will stand.

Friday Devotional: Hebrews 4:16; "Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need."

Takeaways to the long game to Wisdom

- Integrity will be found out. Lack of integrity will be found out.
- The long game of integrity tells us that it can impact our lives tremendously.
- We do not always know the ways that integrity impacts us or our relationships.
- Both God and others will come to our aid if we live lives of integrity.

- What is my greatest area of temptation to cheat on integrity?
- What is the most important step I can take to enlist the Holy Spirit to strengthen me in that area?
- Have I seen how integrity has played out to help me in my life?
- Have there been times when a lack of integrity hurt me?

God Guides: Our part; His part. Proverbs 3:5-6

- Our part: Trust, Lean not, Acknowledge
- His part: make our paths straight.
- All your heart: Not compartmentalized faith.
- Trust: Active surrender (helplessly face down). Relational dependence.
- Acknowledge: Continual communion
- Straight paths: Moral clarity, safety, prosperity
- We need to trust beyond our current understanding.
- Am I trusting God fully (Leaving room for God to be God or am I hedging with my own logic?)?

God Guides: His Promise. Psalm 32:8; Isaiah 58:11; Psalm 25:4-5; Proverbs 16:9

- Psalm 32:8; Instruct, teach, counsel -> process of guidance.
 - Giving direction, forming character, offering situational advice.
- His eye: Shepherd, Parent. Intimate protective involvement.
- Isaiah 58:11 God is our continual compass through every season.
- Create short frequent prayers requesting directions and clarity.
- In dry times, read from a Psalm or a Gospel passage to feed your soul.
- Psalm 25:4-5; Ask God to reveal His road-map for life.
- God shapes our life trajectory so that knowing God leads to walking with God.
- Proverbs 16:9; Human intentions and God's sovereign oversight.
- When a plan fails, could the closed door be a protection or redirection.
- Adopt a simple "plan and pause" routine. Set the intention. Pray for God's direction.
- Relational leading by God; persistent dependence by us.

God Guides: His Word. Psalm 119:105; Psalm 119:133; 2 Timothy 3:16-17

- Psalm 119:105; Lamp = immediate practical guidance: next step vs. journey. Light is moral direction and purpose that orients life choices.
- Pray for the next step; act; cultivate daily depending on God's leading.
- Psalm 119:133, Ask to fix and steady your walk by the Word so each step is guided by divine truth.
- The Word is both a foundation and training that can help prevent faltering and misdirection.
- 2 Timothy 3:16-17; Align personal beliefs with biblical authority
- 4 practical uses for scripture: teaching, rebuke, correction, righteousness training: from instruction to moral formation.
- Scripture is the standard for truth and correction. Scripture equips us for ministry.

God Guides: His Son. John 10:3-4

- Jesus Christ is the Good Shepherd.
- The Shepherd has named each of the sheep, picturing intimacy.
- The sheep know the Shepherd's voice.
- The Shepherd leads. The sheep follow. When He calls, first, say "yes."
- As you listen, compare what you hear against what the bible says.

God Guides: Counselors. Proverbs 11:14; Proverbs 15:22; Hebrews 13:7

- Proverbs 11:14 With significant decisions, going alone is dangerous.
- Multiple advisors is beneficial.
- Assemble an advisory committee. God uses people.
- Proverbs 15:22 God designed us to be communal.
- Before an important decision, identify 3 people (spiritual mentor, practical subject matter expert, trusted wise friend) and ask for advice.
- Hebrews 13:7 God gives us leaders to help guide us. Thank God.
- Model biblical teachers whose practice demonstrates mature faith.
- Hold leaders accountable.

God Guides: His Holy Spirit. John 14:26; John 16:13; Romans 8:14; Galatians 5:25

- John 14:26; The Holy Spirit is the indwelling Divine Teacher.
- The Holy Spirit's work is to continue the ministry of Jesus Christ.
- Pray before you read the bible asking the Holy Spirit to teach you.

- John 16:13; The job of the Holy Spirit is to guide into the Truth.
- The work of the Holy Spirit is to point to Jesus Christ.
- Romans 8:14 Being led marks who we are rather than only what we do.
- Being led by the Spirit is in contrast to being led by fear or bondage.
- Galatians 5:25; 2 realities: spiritual inner life (live by the Spirit), and its ethical outworking (walk by the Spirit).
- We need to have continuous dependence, not an occasional preference.

God Guides: Experiences.

- **Genesis 20:3**; Abimelech has a dream.
- **1 Samuel 3:9-10**; Samuel hears a voice.
- **Isaiah 30:21** Hear a voice behind you.
- **Matthew 2:13** Joseph sees an angel.
- **Acts 13:2** Holy Spirit says to set apart Barnabas and Saul.
- **Acts 16:6-7** Holy Spirit did not permit travel to Bithynia.

God Guides: Inner Peace. Colossians 3:15

This is a part of the promise of Jesus Christ of peace that the world cannot give us.

- It is easier to be grateful when the heart is ruled by the peace of Christ.
- The peace of Christ can guide practical choices, especially where emotions or interests conflict.
- Allowing His peace to rule is a repeated, willful discipline, not just a one time experience.

God Guides: In response to prayer. James 1:5

God is asking us to ask Him. God promises to answer.

- Wisdom is a gift of God, Who gives freely.
- Decision making and moral discernment can be acts of dependence on the providential grace of God.
- Admit the lack and ask. Receive the generous gift from God.
- There can be dignity in dependence (ask without reproach).
- Ask in faith. Expect guidance.

God Guides: God is Sovereign. Genesis 50:20; Romans 8:28; Proverbs 19:21

- Joseph did not understand the plan of God until it was all over.
- God can redeem human sin without excusing. God weaves the human brokenness and evil decisions into His grand purposes.
- Sometimes there is a divine storyline behind personal suffering.
- Release from bitterness comes from a deep trust in a God Who is active, even in evil plots.
- God providentially works through all situations in order to redeeming it all for ultimate good for all believers.
- People plan. God rules.
- A godly heart seeks alignment with the will of God.
- Amidst uncertainty, because God's counsel will stand, persist in faith and patient obedience.

God guides:

- God promises to guide.
- We have our part. God has His part.
- Through His Word.
- By His Son.
- Through wise counselors
- By His Holy Spirit.
- Through special experiences.
- With our inner peace.
- In response to prayer.
- Through His sovereignty

You are not alone. God is with you! MDC wants to help. We are here for you.

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