

The Gifts of Confirmation

1 Start with prayer: Pray to the Father and ask the Father to send you the Holy Spirit to be with you as you consider the following questions. Thank Him for the blessings you are about to receive. Ask for His help. End your prayer “in Jesus name.”

Is 30:21
And your ears shall hear a word behind you, saying, "This is the way, walk in it," when you turn to the right or when you turn to the left.
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2 Read the Word: Look up and prayerfully read this scripture. Take your time and allow God's Word to soak into your heart. Allow the Holy Spirit to minister meaning to this Word from God, your Father, to you. You have spoken to Him through your prayer; now allow Him to speak to you through this scripture.

3 Commit this passage to memory this week. Your packet will have a business size card with this scripture written on it. Carry it with you and read it through out the day. Make sure to look this up in your Bible so that you will know where it is located.

4 If you are using a color-coding system to mark your Bible, use Brown to mark this passage. *Brown = Word, God speaking, Divine Guidance .*

Principles for Hearing:

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| 1) God is my Father | 1 Jn 3:1 |
| 2) My Father has a plan for my life | Jer 29:11 |
| 3) My Father wants to make known the plan for my life. | Is 30:21 |

Reflection

As you read *Is 30:21* what does the Holy Spirit speak to your heart (be aware of thoughts and feelings)?

Sacrament of Confirmation:

Is 11:2-3

And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.

Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit:

Fear of the Lord	}	Awe and Reverence
Piety (<i>delighting in God</i>)		Relationship of Son to Father

Counsel	}	To know God’s will
Wisdom		To know how to do God’s will
Might (Fortitude)		The strength to do God’s will

Knowledge	}	Personal revelation of truth
Understanding		Comprehension of revealed truths

In the sacrament of Confirmation, the Bishop (*spiritual authoritative descendant of the Apostles*), confers the gift of the Holy Spirit, with the Seven Gifts of the Spirit, through the laying on of hands and anointing with chrism. There is no doubt that the gifts are given. It can be seen!

Which gift of the Spirit do you need in your life right now?

Do you believe that because of your confirmation the Holy Spirit will reveal the Father’s will to you, that the Spirit will show you how to do the Father’s will, and the Spirit will give you the strength to accomplish the Father’s will? (*Rate yourself*)

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

What is weakening your faith to believe this truth?

What would strengthen your faith?