

Promptings of the Holy Spirit

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.”

Ro 8:14
For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.
Ro 8:14

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* .

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| Principles for Hearing: | |
| 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 |

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| Lectio Divina | |
| Lectio | to read |
| Mediatio | to meditate |
| Oratio | to pray/speak |
| Contemplatio | to contemplate |

Reflection

As you read *Ro 8:14* what does the Holy Spirit speak to your heart (be aware of thoughts and feelings)? Use *Lectio Divina*.

"There will be a new springtime for the Church if people will welcome the promptings of the Holy Spirit."
Pope John Paul II

The promptings of the Holy Spirit are the inward senses that we are being moved, asked or lead to do something. The Saints teach that the more we respond, the more ofther they will come. This requires obedience.

Examples of Promptings of the Holy Spirit:

Feelings that you should call someone.
Sensing you should give someone some help or money.
Being drawn to talk to someone about the Lord.
Praying based on an insight into a person or situation.

Are there any times in your life that you can look back upon and say, "That was a prompting of the Holy Spirit!"?

Exercise

Apply *Lectio Divina* to the following scripture passages

Lk 16:10

"He who is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much..."

Mt 7:21 Mark *Brown = Word, God speaking.*

"Not every one who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven."

Jn 14:15 Mark *Brown = Word, God speaking.*

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments."

Jas 1:22 Mark *Brown = Word, God speaking.*

But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.