Left or Right? Decisions and God's Will

Objective:

Learn to make wise decisions aligned with God's will through biblical principles, spiritual discernment, and obedience.

I. What is a decision?

Definition: Choosing a path or action influenced by the mind and emotions.

Key Verse: James 1:22 – "Be doers of the word, and not hearers only..."

Reflection:

- - How do you usually make decisions: based on emotion, logic, or faith?
- - Do you place God's will above your own?

II. Understanding God's Will

Three types:

- 1. Perfect His ideal plan for you. (Romans 12:2)
- 2. Permissive He allows for your free will. (Romans 3:23)
- 3. Permanent His eternal plans do not change. (Proverbs 19:21)

Key Verse: Psalm 40:8 – "I delight to do your will, O my God..."

Reflection:

- Do you recognize the difference between what God allows and what He desires?
- Do you trust that His will is good even when it doesn't seem so?

III. How does God reveal His will?

Primary Means:

- His Spirit (John 16:13)
- His Word (Psalm 119:105)
- Prayer (Philippians 4:6–7)

Biblical Example: Gideon (Judges 6:36–40) looked for signs. Today we have the Holy Spirit and the Bible as our sure guide.