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DISCERNING GOD'S VOICE

The Wisdom of People The Confirmation of Circumstances

The Truth of God's Word

What steps have you taken to better discern the voice of God?

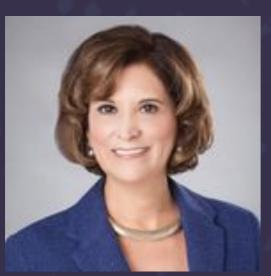
Discerning Your Vocation

"The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice. But they will never follow a stranger; in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognize a stranger's voice."

John 10:2-5 NIV

"Ninety-one percent of Millennials (born between 1977-1997) expect to stay in a job for less than three years, according to The Future Workplace "Multiple Generations @ Work" survey of 1,189 employees and 150 managers. That means they would have 15 - 20 jobs over the course of their working lives!"

Jeanne Meister: The Future Workplace



https://www.forbes.com/sites/jeannemeister/2012/08/14/the-future-of-work-job-hopping-is-the-new-normal-for-millennials/#3aed6c4b13b8

The National Longitudinal Survey of Youth 1979, which concluded its research in 2012-2013 found that in all categories, all ethnicities(regardless of any/all educational degrees), held between 8-15 jobs in the years from 1979 to 2012. This represents 23-28% of all people surveyed"

https://www.bls.gov/nls/nlsfaqs.htm#anch41

When you've made transitions in your vocation, what process did you use to choose a new path?

- 1: "Vocation" comes from the latin "vocare" which means "to call" or "summon"
- 2: The root word of "Voc" in Latin means "voice"

"Voice that calls or summons"

"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." **Ephesians 2:10 NIV**

- "For works" = "Ergon" Grk. / noun
 - "work" is a deed (action) that carries out (completes) an inner desire (intension, purpose).
- "To do" = "Peripateó Grk. / verb
 - I walk, hence Hebraistically (in an ethical sense): I conduct my life, live.

10 Questions To Ask Yourself

- 1. What <u>pain</u> in my past might God want to redeem for a greater purpose?
- 2. Where have I experienced the greatest <u>success</u> and the greatest <u>failure</u>?
- 3. What seeds or <u>destiny markers</u> has God planted in my life that might give clues to His purpose for my life?

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- 4. With what kind of personality did God wire me?
- 5. In what areas do I have the greatest amount of knowledge?
- 6. What are my natural abilities and skills?

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7. What are my spiritual gifts?

8. What am I most passionate about?

9. What are my deepest core values?

10. What do I sense God has called me to do?

"He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God."

John 1:11-13 NIV

Pray For:

Adults: what job is He calling you to do?

Kids & Youth: area of volunteering?

Retiree's: how to use your time to fulfill the call
He has on your life?