

# The Cure to Confusion:

## ***Just Follow God's Word, No Questions Asked!***

1 Corinthians 14:33: **For God is not *the author of confusion, but of peace...***

Every Christian is faced with confusion. Usually, the best thing to do when you're faced with confusion is not to allow yourself to take the easy way out.

**Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of *this* life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier.** 2 Timothy 2:3,4

Confusion comes in either when you don't have it settled in your heart what God wants you to do, or if you play around with what God has already told you to do by coming up with some kind of reason to get out of what you knew at one time you were to do.

The more people you talk to about your problem, the more confused you're going to become, because what you're looking for is a reason not to do what you know in your heart you need to do.

You can usually tell when another believer is heading in the direction of fulfilling the desires of their flesh and carnal nature, because they will have several reasons why they're going to do what they're going to do, and how it's got to be God wanting them to do this. That is one of the first indications that the person is wrong, because most of the people I know who followed God weren't too sure what they were going to do next. And, if they were going to do what God told them to do, they didn't know how it was going to be done, or why God even wanted them to do it.

If you make a wrong decision, you will eventually realize in your heart you missed God. But if you follow God and His plan, at least you'll know you've got Him backing you, and you're going to want that! You are going to want to know God is condoning what you are doing. It's comforting to know you've got God fighting your battle for you, and it's not you doing all this in the flesh.

In following God and pursuing what He wants me to do, I've gotten a lot of criticism, raised eyebrows and disbelieving looks, but once I had it settled in my heart, I was not going to let anything or anyone stop me. I've missed God before. I've been wrong, but I never let that stop me from pursuing God's will for my life. If you fall down, get up again, and don't let your failures keep you from pursuing God. Learn something from it, and be willing to step out for God again. Stepping out for God in faith is like jumping out of an airplane and believing God is going to provide you the parachute on the way down. Most of the onlookers and spectators are hoping that you hit the ground hard.

**- So, *what if you do?*** The same Spirit that raised Christ from the dead will raise you

up! (Romans 8:11) And that's almost a greater testimony than getting the parachute on the way down!

If you follow God, you're going to make a lot of people jealous, envious and angry. Don't be surprised that you are providing them with something to talk about. Don't let it hurt your feelings, and definitely don't let it deter you from going on for God, which is the whole motivation behind persecution. If you continually permit others to hurt your feelings, Satan will be able to keep you discouraged and depressed.

## Abraham Obeyed the Word of God

Hebrews 11:8-10: **By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went. By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as *in* a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise: For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker *is* God.**

Abraham had a promise from God, and that's all he had to go on to receive from God. He traveled every day, not even knowing where he was going. He was not mentally incompetent. He was just doing his best to follow God by pursuing God's plan for his life. God was going to get him through every situation and eventually get Abraham where he needed to be, which was at the right place, at the right time.

Abraham had a tag-along relative, Lot, who apparently knew nothing about believing God for himself. Abraham went through many challenges, battles, tests and trials, but he passed them and became world famous, even to this day, all because he obeyed God.

*Did Abraham make mistakes? Sure he did.*

*Did he quit trying to fulfill God's plan for his life? - Absolutely not!*

Everybody makes mistakes in following God, but as long as your heart is right with God, and you did your best to pray about everything, with your goal being to do what God wanted you to do, you can rest assured that you're pleasing God.

**But without faith *it is* impossible to please *him*: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and *that* he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.**

Hebrews 11:6

Following the Lord and pleasing Him has been the number-one priority and paramount issue in my Christian life from the day I got born again. Whether it's with my ministry or personal life, I'm always inquiring of God what He wants me to do.

As far as I know, my first prayer request to Pastor Helton was to pray that I would please God. I wanted to do whatever God wanted me to do. And after all these years, I

want to please God even more now, than I did then. Every single day and night, I wait on God in prayer. Any friend that I have will tell you, *“The most important thing to Br. Rich is that he does what God wants him to do.”*

*Have I missed God? Absolutely. And if nothing else, I’ve learned what He doesn’t want me to do, or who He doesn’t want me to be around.*

God gave you His Word, and the Holy Spirit to help you in this life. You can’t put less time in the Word and in prayer and more time in your personal activities and still live in victory. It won’t work on your job, in your home, in your marriage, or even in your ministry. You’ve always got to go the extra mile and do more than is required of you. When you do, God will reward you accordingly. You can do this. You just have to have the desire in your heart to please God. I wanted to please God when I had a secular job, and I want to please God in my ministry. When you do all you can to put God first in your life, people are not going to understand you; they’ll say some mean and ugly things about you. They will misunderstand you, misquote you, and misjudge you. But one thing they’ll never do is beat you at following God, because they don’t think it’s important to do all that praying and pursuing of God. Their idea of serving God is going to church. They may love God, but not that much... And they *definitely* don’t want Him to tell them to do something they don’t want to do! So just be sure that **you** always do all you can to please, serve and follow God!

I look forward to sharing more with you tomorrow. Remember that God wishes above all things that you prosper and be in health, even as your soul prospers (3 John 2).

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