



Mentoring OnBoarding Session 2

4 Responsibilities

What it takes to be a mentor?

What is the Objective?

NOT: Counseling, Advise giving, formal Discipleship

To Think Biblically:

Godly Perspective
Sound Decision Making
Christ Living Through You
Bear Much Fruit

Soldier	Suffering and Endurance Focus No Entanglement Please their Authority
Athlete	Discipline Focus on prize Obedience
Farmer	Hard-working Harvest Receive

1. **Center on God's Word – a workman** 2 Tim 2:16 / word 2 Tim 3:16-17
Mindset and discipline

2. **Decision Making and finding God's Will – Rom 12:1-2**

Here is how he summed up the way he entered into a "heart" relationship with God and learned to discern God's voice: I seek at the beginning to get my heart into such a state that it has no will of its own in regard to a given matter. Nine-tenths of the trouble with people generally is just here. Nine-tenths of the difficulties are overcome when our hearts are ready to do the knowledge of what His will is.

I seek the Will of the Spirit of God through, or in connection with, the Word of God. The Spirit and the Word must be combined. If I look to the Spirit alone without the Word, I lay myself open to great delusions also. If the Holy Ghost guides us at all, He will do it according to the Scriptures and never contrary to them. I take into account providential circumstances. These often plainly indicate God's will in connection with His Word and Spirit. I ask God in prayer to reveal His Will to me aright.

1. *Total Surrender and Complete Trust.* The clarity of God's calling is heard and understood only after we have died to our vision of the calling. If we are not neutral before God (died to self), it is easy to manipulate or rationalize our own desires and give God the credit for it. The call is never a matter of pride or ambition - that's a fast way to disaster. Having given up we need to completely trust the Lord.

2. *Confirmation from God's word.* Careful attention needs to be given to God and His word for confirmation. This will come naturally. This is not for me to look at specific verses and manipulate them to reinforce a previously held desire. God will speak if we will but listen. The call is never outside a biblical foundation.

3. *Peace.* I, my wife and family will be at peace. God does not bring confusion (a lack of peace) when calling someone. If there is confusion, lack of peace, in the message - you can conclude God is not moving yet (it is either not yet the time or not His direction). This peace comes from God, in spite of sometimes our ability to logically explain the details. A calling of God is a supernatural word of the Father.

4. *Confirmation of the call by others.* (Counsel is sought) (Proverbs 15:22) There is wisdom in many counselors. Make sure you have Godly counselors that know you, that don't have a vested interest in the outcome (objective 3rd party) and



will not just say yes. Be careful not to try and implement all that the counselors say as you will have many opinions and possibly conflicting advice. After receiving counsel, you are ultimately and totally responsible for the decision before God. You must be totally honest as you get counsel - if you only give part of the picture - you manipulate the outcome.

5. *Pray, Pray, Pray* Much prayer is fundamental to hearing the call of God. In fact, it would be hard to pray too much. Prayer is the real work. God is not playing games with us - He will make His will known.

6. *Circumstances* Circumstances play a significant role in the direction and timing of God's call. For example, if I sense God's call and it involves a move, yet my reasonably priced house doesn't sell, the message may be one of three things - not the right time, don't make the move (a change of calling) or God didn't call. It is when we manipulate the circumstances, to force our desire of outcome, we are beyond God's call and most likely in the flesh.

3. Walk by Faith

- a. Prayer life
- b. Eternal in the Temporal
- c. Defined Purpose and Hope