



Revelation

Who told you so?

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Nuggets for Navigating

- RESOURCES - (Gotta make that money)
- RELATIONSHIPS - (Life's most complex maze)
- READINESS - (Prepared for the future)
- REVELATION - (Who told you so?)
- RIDDLES - (Life's unanswerable questions)
- REVERENCE - (Love and Respect)
- RESULTS - (Living with my choices)
- REPAIRS - (...for broken places)

What NOW?

Navigating the Maze of Transition, Trials and Change

- Lord, I pray that the Word, today, would find good soil in my heart.
- **I reject the thoughts of offense!** Where the light of Your Word exposes my mistakes, I do not take offense. I will change and turn to You, my heavenly Father.
- **I reject condemnation!** Your Word says, “*That Jesus did not come to condemn people.*” This Word does not come to condemn me, but it comes to heal me.
- **I reject accusation!** Satan is the accuser of brothers and sisters and this Word does not come to accuse me or abuse me. This Word exposes satan and his lies and I choose to believe and receive the TRUTH.

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God says in His Word, “...blessed *are* my eyes for they see, and my ears for they hear; for many prophets and righteous *men* desired to see what I see, and did not see *it*, and to hear what I hear, and did not hear *it*.” (Matthew 13:16)

Therefore I will hide Your Word in my heart that I might not sin against (or miss) the will of God.

(Psalm 119:11-12)

Open my eyes, that I may see wondrous things from Your Word today. (Psalm 119:16-18)

Proverbs 1

- 1 The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel:
- 2 To know wisdom and instruction,
To perceive the words of understanding,
- 3 To receive the instruction of wisdom,
Justice, judgment, and equity;
- 4 To give prudence to the simple,
To the young man knowledge and discretion—

Proverbs 1

- 5 A wise *man* will hear and increase learning, And a man of understanding will attain wise counsel,
- 6 To understand a proverb and an enigma,
The words of the wise and their riddles.
- 7 The fear of the LORD *is* the beginning of knowledge,
But fools despise wisdom and instruction.
- 8 My son, hear the instruction of your father,
And do not forsake the law of your mother;
- 9 For they *will be* a graceful ornament on your head,
And chains about your neck.

Proverbs 1

- 20 Wisdom calls aloud outside; She raises her voice in the open squares.
- 21 She cries out in the chief concourses At the openings of the gates in the city She speaks her words:
- 22 “ How long, you simple ones, will you love simplicity? For scorners delight in their scorning, And fools hate knowledge.
- 23 Turn at my rebuke; Surely I will pour out my spirit on you; I will make my words known to you.
- 24 Because I have called and you refused, I have stretched out my hand and no one regarded,

Proverbs 1

- 25 Because you disdained all my counsel, And would have none of my rebuke,
- 26 I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your terror comes,
- 27 When your terror comes like a storm, And your destruction comes like a whirlwind, When distress and anguish come upon you.
- 28 “ Then they will call on me, but I will not answer; They will seek me diligently, but they will not find me.
- 29 Because they hated knowledge And did not choose the fear of the LORD,

Proverbs 1

30 They would have none of my counsel *And* despised my every rebuke.

31 Therefore they shall eat the fruit of their own way, And be filled to the full with their own fancies.

32 For the turning away of the simple will slay them, And the complacency of fools will destroy them;

33 But whoever listens to me will dwell safely, And will be secure, without fear of evil.”

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A WARNING IS A WARNING, NOT A WEAK OPINION



Aaliyah Dies in Plane Crash

Actress and R&B star Aaliyah was killed on August 25th when a private plane carrying her and eight other people crashed shortly after taking off from the Marsh Harbour Airport in the Bahamas, where she had been filming a music video. Aaliyah, whose full name was Aaliyah Haughton, was twenty-two.

According to authorities, the small Cessna plane, which was headed to Miami, experienced engine failure and went down just 200 feet from the runway, bursting into flames upon impact. Aaliyah was one of seven passengers declared dead at the scene, while two others died later from their injuries.

"Aaliyah's family is devastated at the loss of their loving daughter and sister," read a statement issued by the star's PR representatives. "Their hearts go out to those families who also lost their loved ones in this tragic accident."



OVERLOADED PLANE

NASSAU, Bahamas (CNN) -- The small aircraft that crashed last weekend on the island of Abaco, killing singer Aaliyah and eight others, was overloaded by hundreds of pounds, officials said Thursday.

The extra weight -- and the way in which it was distributed -- most likely contributed to the plane's crash shortly after takeoff, said John Frank, executive director of the Cessna Pilots' Association.

According to a report released Thursday by the Bahamian Civil Aviation Department, the plane was loaded to within 805 pounds of its maximum takeoff weight, not counting the weight of the nine people on board -- one of those a 300-pound bodyguard.

"Clearly the airplane was above its certificated gross weight when it took off, by several hundred pounds at least," said Frank.

Immediately after the crash Saturday at Marsh Harbour airport, airport employees told CNN that baggage handlers and the pilot of the Cessna 402 had complained before takeoff that the aircraft was overloaded with luggage, but the passengers insisted on taking everything with them.

OVERLOADED PLANE

Have you overloaded your plane with ideas and concepts that the laws of nature and God are not going to support when you try to take off in your life?

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HOW DO I KNOW IF WHAT I AM HEARING IS RIGHT OR WRONG?

- Recognize the Voice and Will of God

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Faith

Faith involves three key elements

- *insight from God,*
- *agreement with God, and*
- *obedience to God*

Insight from God

How do I know God is speaking to me?

1. Is this in harmony with the Word of God?

John 14: 25-26

25 “These things I have spoken to you while being present with you.

26 But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.

Insight from God

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Colossians. 3:16-17

16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

17 And *whatever* you do in word or deed, *do* all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

Insight from God

How do I know God is speaking to me?

1. Is this in harmony with the Word of God?

Romans 15:4

4 For whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope.

Insight from God

How do I know God is speaking to me?

1. Is this in harmony with the Word of God?

Hebrews 4:12

12 For the word of God *is* living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Insight from God

How do I know God is speaking to me?

1. Is this in harmony with the Word of God?

Ephesians 6: 13-17

13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

14 Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness,

15 and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace;

16 above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one.

17 And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God;

Insight from God

How do I know God is speaking to me?

B. Inner-Witness of the Holy Spirit/ Peace of God

1. "Inward-Certainty"
2. Tranquility/ Peace of mind that comes through reconciliation (W.E. Vine)
3. Peace of God is to be "umpire"

Insight from God

How do I know God is speaking to me?

B. Inner-Witness of the Holy Ghost/ "Peace of God"

John 14:27

27 Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

Insight from God

How do I know God is speaking to me?

B. Inner-Witness of the Holy Ghost/ "Peace of God"

Colossians 3:12-15

12 Therefore, as *the* elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering;

13 bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also *must do*.

14 But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection.

15 And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful.

Insight from God

How do I know God is speaking to me?

B. Inner-Witness of the Holy Ghost/ "Peace of God"

Romans 5:1

1 Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ

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Romans 8:14-17

14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God.

15 For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father."

16 The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God,
17 and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with *Him*, that we may also be glorified together.

15:13

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B. Inner-Witness of the Holy Ghost/ "Peace of God"

Romans 15:13

13 Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

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How do I know God is speaking to me?

Circumstances conform to the Revealed/Known Will of God

Romans 8:26-28

26 Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.

27 Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit *is*, because He makes intercession for the saints according to *the will of God*.

28 And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to *His* purpose.

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Ephesians 1:11

11 In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will,

Agreement with God

- Harmony like a symphony
- What God says, the WAY God says
- *Reasons for confusion

Timing of God

Eccl. 3:1; Gal. 4:4; Psalm 90:12

Agreement with God

Timing of God

Ecclesiastes 3:1

To everything *there is* a season,
A time for every purpose under heaven:

Agreement with God

Timing of God

Galatians 4:4

4 But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law,

Agreement with God

Timing of God

Psalm 90:12

12 So teach *us* to number our days,
That we may gain a heart of wisdom.

Obedience to God

Road to Gaza Principle

(Acts 8: 26-40)