

# *Learn to Discern the Shepherd's Call*

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## ♥ How do you know if it is **God Speaking?**

📖 *John 11:23-28* (pages 760-761 in the pew Bible)

### **LEARN IMPORTANT PRINCIPLES ABOUT DISCERNING GOD'S CALL:**

#### ① God never calls you to do **ANYTHING** that contradicts **His Word**

*"Do not be yoked together with unbelievers. For what do righteousness and wickedness have in common? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness?" 2 Corinthians 6:14*

#### ② God always calls you to **Conform** to His **Character**

*"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in Me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from Me you can do nothing." John 15:5*

*"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law." Galatians 5:22-23*

*"For those God foreknew He predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son" Romans 8:29*

#### ③ God always calls you to **Perform** His **Purpose**

*"Jesus replied: Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. And love your neighbor as yourself." Matthew 22:37-39*

*"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:19-20*

### **Bottom Line: The closer you **Grow** the clearer you **Know****

*"Paul and his companions traveled throughout the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been kept by the Holy Spirit from preaching the word in the province of Asia. When they came to the border of Mysia, they tried to enter Bithynia, but the Spirit of Jesus would not allow them to." Acts 16:6-7*