

# When God Guides - God Provides

How To Successfully  
Apply God's Divine Guidance in Your Life

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*“When God Guides, God Provides His Faithful with the means to carry out His Divine Guidance.”*

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**T**his knowledge is not new in the world among men. However, it is one of the most misunderstood and misapplied Truths in the whole arsenal of God's Graces. The more you follow God's Guidance and carry it to Victory, the more God will give His Guidance to you and Provide you the means to carry it out. Far too often, even devout Believers will receive a True Divine Guidance from God and will fail to successfully carry out God's Guidance. Equally often, when a Believer fails to carry out God's Divine Guidance, he may wrongly either: (1) doubt or deny that it was really God's Guidance; or (2) conclude that he is incapable of doing what God's Divine Guidance demands to be done and will give up.

In any given case, any one or both of these COULD be true. That is what makes them such tempting conclusions to jump to. However, in the great majority of cases NONE of the above are true. What is true is that the Believer simply misunderstands what is meant by “When God Guides – God Provides” and so, misapplies God's Guidance to himself and, equally, misapplies himself to carrying God's Guidance to success and Victory. I will explain.

The most common cause of a Soldier of The Light or any Believer failing to carry out God's Guidance and attain Victory is that he does not understand or worse, that he thinks he understands and actually misunderstands, HOW God really works through His Divine Guidance. All too often, the result of this lack of understanding or misunderstanding is the false idea that what “God Provides” to help the Believer carry out His Divine Guidance must be something OTHER than what God has ALREADY Provided to the Believer.

**God has ALREADY Provided.**

**G**od has provided you with a body, a mind, a Will and a wealth of experiences, learnings, talents and abilities. The FULL MEASURE of these gifts that God has provided unto you wait within you, untapped or only partially used, most of the time. Their full measure only becomes manifest in

their full capacity IF AND ONLY IF you become DETERMINED enough to carry out God's Guidance and DESPERATE enough to carry God's Guidance to Victory that you pull forth the full measure of the resources that God has placed within you. The key word here is "enough."

Here is the Key to right understanding and use of God's Guidance: Why should God step in and PROVIDE you with any more than He has already given you, UNTIL you have fully exhausted ALL of what He has already Provided? The answer is He should not and ordinarily (there are always exceptions with God) DOES NOT Provide His Believer with anything more until the Believer has exhausted what God has already given him.

The KEY operative term here is EXHAUSTED, in the sense of depleted, spent, poured out, emptied. If (mark that IF) you have really received a Divine Guidance from God and IF you are really working and striving to carry out God's Divine Guidance with full determination and desperation, I PROMISE you, that when you have exhausted the very last shred of your own resources in the effort to carry out God's Divine Guidance – GOD WILL PROVIDE whatever else it is you need to succeed.

That is a PROMISE. Hold me to it. But in doing so, make sure that you have fulfilled all of the conditions. Make sure that you are certain in your heart and mind that you have Received God's True Divine Guidance (you won't be able to know for sure until later – more on that in a while); make sure that you have set about carrying God's Guidance to Victory and are doing so with desperation; and, make sure that you really have exhausted all of your God-Given Resources before looking for God to provide ANYTHING more. Remember, "You Can't Ask God To Fill Your Cup While IT is Already Full." EMPTY yourself in your desperation and striving to carry God's Divine Guidance to Victory – then, GOD WILL PROVIDE whatever is necessary to get you to Victory.

### **How Will You Know If It Is Really God's Guidance?**

**T**he First and most important thing you must KNOW to live by God's Divine Guidance is this:

*God will NEVER guide you to harm yourself, another person or others.*

The main reason that some people fear being Guided by God and more people fear those who seek to live by God's Guidance is that there have been a very few lunatics who have done terrible things and then excused them by claiming

that God guided them or told them to harm others and/or themselves. THIS IS NEVER TRUE. God has all of the Power God needs to destroy any man, woman or, all of Creation. God does not need any man or woman to carry out these tasks for him and does not ask or compel any man or woman to do so in this day. Neither does God stop any man or woman from exercising the Free Will that God has given unto every Soul.

### **The First Test**

The first and most crucial TEST of whether what you are receiving is God's Divine Guidance or not is this:

*Does this guidance direct me to harm myself, another person or others?*

If the answer to this question is "yes," then what you are receiving IS NOT GOD'S GUIDANCE. If the answer is "yes," then it may be: your own Conscience (acting for the Greater Good); your emotions (jealousy, anger, hatred etc.); an act of survival (self defense); an act of necessity; an act of Honor or Patriotism (as in the case of a Soldier fighting in a Just and Righteous War); or, it MAY be a false guidance created by The Force of Darkness to lead you astray. It is an unfortunate Reality of the World that we live in that we must sometimes harm others and suffer harm to ourselves to maintain civilization, to defend ourselves or others from an aggressor, or to preserve the greater Good. Do not be fooled, the line between harm that is done for the sake of Good and harm that is done out of dark motives or in the service of The Force of Darkness is quite CLEAR even though it is often hard for men and women to see it.

If the answer to the First Test is "no, this Guidance does not direct me to harm myself, another or others," then your Guidance has passed the first test and you must go on to the harder test.

### **The Second Test**

Ultimately, how will you know for certain that what you THINK God has Guided you to do was REALLY God's Guidance or just the urging of your own heart, mind or imagination? Here's how: Having done all of these things that I have instructed you to do, IF (and ONLY IF) you exhausted your own resources and God Provided what you could not have done yourself – you can be CERTAIN that you were following God's True Guidance. This is the Test, the ONLY Test of whether what you have received is truly God's Guidance or your own fabrication. If it is your own alone, God may or may not help. If it is God's Guidance – God absolutely WILL Provide IF you exhaust

your own resources. There is no other way to know.

### **How Can You Apply This Knowledge?**

**K**nowledge is good – but how do you apply this Knowledge to your everyday life? If you believe that you have received Divine Guidance from God, go about carrying it out “as if your hair were on fire and you are looking for water to put it out.” Anything less is unworthy of God’s Divine Guidance. Pour forth all of your resources into carrying out God’s Guidance until you have exhausted your resources. Bear in mind that (as you will see in the following illustration regarding my sending out of emails) exhausting your resources may often be limited to a specific area of your life and it may take only a small effort to exhaust that resource if you have little resource in that area to begin with.

You don’t have to run yourself into the ground or drive yourself to total personal, physical and mental exhaustion to accomplish every one of God’s Guidances. Certainly, God may give you some Guidances that require Heroic and near super-human efforts. Sometimes God’s Guidances DO require that you exhaust yourself, your body, your mind and your Will. But these instances are relatively rare.

An instance of such a Divine Guidance is well illustrated by a true story about a Quaker woman. Though I remember all of the main parts of story, the details are a bit hazy after all these years, so don’t hold me to the details. It is the point that is important.

During World War II, this woman, an ordinary housewife, received God’s Guidance that she should go to a particularly nasty prison camp in Germany to plead for the lives of the prisoners that were being held there. This heroic and courageous woman packed up her things and traveled to Germany. There, she made an appointment with the Commandant of the Prison and begged for the lives of the prisoners. She was rejected many times, but kept on going to the Commandant and eventually won him over and saved a number of lives. After she returned home and returned to being an ordinary housewife, she learned that the Commandant had been relieved of his duties and imprisoned for his compassion.

But let’s return to the main point of how you apply this Knowledge. If, after you have exhausted your resources on a particular and crucial part of the Guidance you believe God has given you, God does NOT provide and what you are trying to accomplish just stalls out or comes to a dead end – you may

want to conclude that what you believed to be Guidance is in fact something other than God's Guidance.

I offer a word of caution here. I have never carried out one of God's major Divine Guidances that did not require perseverance, courage and strength that I thought was beyond my capacity or ability to overcome numerous and often difficult obstacles. I am not saying that carrying out God's Guidance must be easy or it is not God's Guidance! Remember the story of the Quaker housewife and imagine the obstacles she had to overcome to carry out God's Guidance!

I am not advising you to "cut and run" from a Guidance or decide that a Guidance is not True Guidance at the first or second or third or any sign of opposition or difficulty in carrying out God's Guidance. That would be foolish and cowardly indeed. The point I want you to understand is that, when you hit obstacle after obstacle and exhaust your resources at each point and God does not Provide and you cannot make any progress in that direction – either you are most likely doing the wrong thing or going in the wrong direction.

When this happens, simply start over by seeking God's Divine Guidance through Prayer, Meditation or - as is the case with we Soldiers of The Light - by taking deep, long and intense Inner Divine Communion with God with the intention of receiving God's Inner Divine Inspiration, Insight, Guidance and Revelation within The Secret Inner Sanctuary of your Heart.

It is always rough to find that what you believed to be God's Guidance is not. But, have courage and persevere. Especially if you are new to seeking and receiving God's Guidance, you will have to go through a few "wild goose chases" before you get the "feel" or the "sense" of what is God's Guidance and what comes from somewhere else (such as your mind, your emotions, your fears, your desires, or The Force of Darkness) impersonating God's Divine Guidance.

But, usually, unless you are VERY stubborn indeed, you will only have to work through a few "Imitation" Guidances before you become able to discriminate between the Real and the Unreal. Persevere and it will come quickly. And, don't hesitate to ask God for His Divine Guidance in learning to discriminate between the Real and the Unreal as quickly as possible.

### **A Hint That May Make Your Road Smoother**

**T**here is one Hint that I can give you that MAY make your road to discrimination between God's Guidances and Imitation Guidances

smoother. That “Hint” is to practice Surrendering your goals, your actions and all results of your actions and the achievement of your goals completely to God. Completely is the key word here. That often means not taking credit for all of your hard work and self-sacrifice and could mean not even letting anyone know that you were the one who did it.

If you find that REALLY surrendering the totality of your goals, your actions and all results of your actions and achieving your goals to God is hard or impossible – then what you believe is God’s Guidance is most likely a false, imitation guidance. This is because of a universal principle that:

*As a baby clings to its mother, a thing, an idea, a goal or an action and their results most easily return to the Source from which they came.*

Water most easily returns to water (try keeping water from evaporating). Fire most easily returns to fire (it feeds itself). What comes FROM God easily returns TO God. The results of what comes from you will want to return to you “as a baby clings to its mother” and they will be hard for you to Surrender to God. When you are carrying out a REAL Divine Guidance from God, you will have very little difficulty in Surrendering it and all of its results TOTALLY to God. That often means not taking credit for it and may mean not even letting anyone know that you were the one who did it.

### **An Illustration**

The examples that could illustrate this Truth are too numerous to detail here. However, the Divine Guidance God gave to me to originate the first-ever Redondo Beach Memorial Day Parade provides a good example of God’s Divine Guidance being proven out in and through determined and desperate actions leading to the exhaustion of all of my own resources.

Just eight weeks before Memorial Day of 2003 and only a short time after Terrorists killed 3,000 innocent Americans in their brutal and inhuman attacks on 9/11/2001, God Guided me to create and found the First Annual Redondo Beach Memorial Day Parade and Tribute to America’s Fallen Heroes. Normally such an event would be a full year in the making. However, since God Guided me to do so, I KNEW (not thought, not hoped, not prayed, not Believed – KNEW) without doubt or reservation that “If and only If” I would go about carrying God’s Divine Guidance to Victory “with all of the desperation I would exert “if my hair were on fire and I was seeking water,” that, when I had exhausted myself and all of my resources – GOD WOULD PROVIDE.

And so I gathered some of the Faithful together and we went to work. The crucial point came when, after talking to all of the City Council Members individually, we confronted the City Council. The City Manager advised against the Parade and Tribute. Many City officials declared flatly that it was IMPOSSIBLE to organize and present a Parade and Tribute of that size in only eight weeks! The City Council seemed divided but leaning toward denying our request. I had exhausted myself, my emotions, my intelligence and my resources. I had nothing left to give. So, I waited in Faith for God to Provide.

Suddenly, out of the audience, from the left side of the Council Chambers, a large man in an electric wheel chair wearing a Marine Corps baseball cap wheeled up to the microphone completely out of turn. He said he was a former Marine and then, he cut loose with a patriotic speech in favor of the Parade and Tribute that left the City Council Members speechless – and not just a little embarrassed at having considered rejecting our Patriotic Parade and Tribute. A vote was taken and EVERY City Council Member voted YES to granting us the permit to have the Parade and Tribute.

I quickly called some meetings and many people came. We knew nothing about event organizing. God provided. A man who was an event organizer came forward. We organized as best we could and went back to doing the hard work of making a real Patriotic Parade and Tribute. We had every thing going against us. I was slandered and called a “cult leader.” God Provided. We proved our intentions were pure and that we are Honorable people who live with Integrity. Some few people accused us of only trying to enhance our Religion or trying to bilk people out of money. One woman who had made a donation was angered when she realized that we had a small, unknown “home church” not of her denomination and she claimed we had wrongly solicited money from her. God provided. I went and sat down with the City Attorney, chatted with him over a cup of coffee and returned the woman’s check uncashed. We are now friends. Again and again I and the Faithful exhausted ourselves and our resources. And, again and again, God Provided. We made many friends and won the respect of the City Government, many business owners, the Military and many citizens and residents.

The story is too long to tell all of it here. But the end result of God’s Divine Guidance to me to create this Parade and Tribute was that, in eight short weeks we raised nearly twenty-two thousand dollars and produced a large and wonderful Parade and Tribute.

By the following year, 2004, we had formed a separate non-profit corporation, expanded our Board of Directors to nearly 20 fine men and women, raised

even more money and went on to produce a second Annual Parade and Tribute with: an eight hundred foot visiting Navy ship with 600 sailors in our harbor; 95 units in our parade; and three Fly-overs at our Tribute.

In August of this year (2004) God gave me a new Guidance that I should return to a fuller focus on my Religious work and the Divine Mission He has given me, that is the whole purpose of my life. This was a difficult Guidance. Of course I would obey God in perfect confidence, knowing that God will NEVER Guide me to harm myself or another or others. But, what was to become of the Parade and Tribute that required so much sacrifice to create and so many enjoyed and loved? How could I let such a universally loved expression of Patriotism and Goodness just die?

Without having any idea of what would come of it, like any good Soldier, I followed the Guidance of God, who is MY Commander in Chief. I began sending out emails telling everyone on my mailing list the TRUTH, that God was calling me back to my Religious work and asking people or organizations to come forward to help save the Parade and Tribute. I had done everything I could. It was a small exhaustion to be sure, but there was nothing left for me to do. So, I did what I always do: I trusted that God WOULD Provide and waited in Faith.

Now, God HAS Provided. Someone has come forward, and my highest hopes could not have been more fulfilled. Two days ago, I made an agreement with the Commander of the Junior ROTC at our local High School, to turn over the entire Parade and Tribute to the Redondo Beach Junior ROTC. This means that the Patriotic young men and women of today and tomorrow will now be producing this Parade and Tribute as a continuing Tradition in the City of Redondo Beach. Which, was the intent of God's Divine Guidance all along.

Another proof positive that, "When God Guides – God Provides."

**All Victory and Glory To God The Beloved**

~ The Friend ~