

1. Read 1Cor. 2:12-16. **Spiritual promptings are spiritually discerned.** What are the characteristics of a natural man? What are the characteristics of a spiritual man? What areas of your life are you in need of being led? Are you a natural man or a spiritual man?
2. What are some of the false substitutes that people seek for direction in their lives? Why do people seek these substitutes? Are you attempting to seek spiritual direction from wrong spiritual sources?
3. Read Eph. 6:17. **Spiritual promptings are always in agreement with the Word of God.** Discuss this statement: *We would not spend so much time seeking A WORD FROM GOD if we were more familiar with THE WORD OF GOD.* What role does the Spirit of God play in relationship to the Word of God? Are you missing out on the Spirit's promptings because you neglect time in the Word of God?
4. Read Gal. 5:17. **Spiritual promptings are contrary to the flesh.** What promptings of the Spirit are requiring the crucifixion of your flesh?
5. **Spiritual promptings often focus on little things.** Are there things that you have left undone because you think they are too trivial to worry about? Do you sense God prompting you to obey in little ways that others would never recognize? Do you think you are too big to do little things the Spirit prompts you to do?
6. **Spiritual promptings warn of approaching temptation.** How often do you redirect your plans because the Spirit prompts you?
7. Read Acts 7:51 and 1Tim. 4:1-2. **Spiritual promptings become weaker the longer we resist.** Were you more sensitive to spiritual promptings at a previous time in your life? Has your conscience been seared?
8. Read Eph. 4:30-32. Grieving God's Spirit is the result of relational conflict. How have you grieved God's spirit?
9. Read 1Thess. 5:16-22. Quenching God's spirit is the result of spiritual conflict. How have you quench God's Spirit?
10. Read 1Thess. 5:23-24. **Spiritual promptings produce confidence when obeyed.** Do you have the security of knowing God is changing you through the ministry of the Spirit?