

# Bible Study Guide: Knowing and Understanding God

*“Be still, and know that I am God.” — Psalm 46:10*

This guide helps you explore who God is and how to live in alignment with His will. Use it for personal study, small groups, or devotional time.

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## Prayer for Understanding God’s Voice and Will

Heavenly Father,

Thank You for revealing Yourself as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Teach me to know Your heart through the written Word and to recognize Your voice through the living Word.

Jesus, You are the truth that anchors me—help me follow You faithfully.

Holy Spirit, guide my steps, speak to my heart, and give me wisdom to walk in God’s will.

Let Your Logos shape my understanding and Your Rhema direct my path.

I surrender my thoughts, desires, and plans to You.

May Your will be done in my life.

In Jesus’ name,

Amen.

**Remember:** Prayer is a relationship, not a ritual.

The more you pray, the more you’ll recognize God’s voice.

## How to Use This Guide

Each study includes key Scriptures, a clear summary, practical steps, reflection questions, and a challenge to apply what you’ve learned. Pray before you begin and ask the Holy Spirit to guide you.

### How *Logos* and *Rhema* Work Together in Perfect Unity

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Origin	From the Father, revealed through Jesus	From the Spirit, in agreement with Scripture	Same source: the will and truth of God
Function	Lays the foundation of truth	Applies truth to the believer's moment-to-moment decisions	Rhema flows from Logos and fulfills its intent
Example	"Love your enemies" (Matthew 5:44 – Logos)	"Call your estranged brother today and ask forgiveness" (Rhema)	Rhema makes Logos actionable, personal, and situational
Spirit's Role	Inspired the Logos (2 Tim 3:16)	Delivers Rhema (John 16:13)	The Spirit breathes life into both, never contradicting God's Word
Jesus' Example	Quoted Scripture (Logos) to Satan (Matt. 4:4)	Declared "It is written" as living Rhema in warfare	Jesus modeled the fusion of Logos and Rhema in spiritual victory

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**The Trinity operates in perfect unity**—the Father speaks, the Son reveals, and the Spirit activates.

**Logos gives us the truth; Rhema gives us timing, direction, and personal application.**

Both flow from God and never contradict each other—Rhema is always aligned with Logos.

## Simple Bible Study Method (Optional)

You can use the SOAP method with any passage:

**S – Scripture:** Write out a verse that stands out.

**O – Observation:** What is happening? What does it mean?

**A – Application:** How does it apply to your life?

**P – Prayer:** Respond to God with a personal prayer.

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## Study 1: Discerning God's Will

### Key Scriptures:

Romans 12:1–2

Proverbs 3:5–6

John 10:27

Psalm 25:4–5

### Summary

Discerning God's will is about aligning your thoughts, desires, and actions with His truth and guidance. It involves renewing your mind, trusting His timing, and learning to hear His voice through the Word, prayer, and the Holy Spirit.

### Types of God's Will

- **Sovereign Will:** What God allows or ordains (Isaiah 46:9–10)
- **Moral Will:** What God commands in Scripture (Micah 6:8)
- **Personal Will:** God's individual guidance for your life (Psalm 32:8)

### Ways God Speaks

- Scripture – The primary way He reveals truth
- Prayer – Communication and listening

- Holy Spirit – Guidance, conviction, peace
- Godly Counsel – Wise believers who reflect Christ
- Circumstances – Doors He opens or closes

## Barriers to Hearing

- Unconfessed sin
- Distraction and busyness
- Doubt and fear
- Pride and self-will

## Reflection Questions

1. Am I genuinely willing to follow God's will even if it's uncomfortable?
2. What area of my life needs more surrender?
3. How can I create more space for God's voice?

## Application Challenge

Fast from a distraction (such as social media or TV) for three days. Use that time to ask God to speak clearly about a specific decision or direction.

## Memory Verse

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding.” – Proverbs 3:5

## Guided Prayer

Lord, help me surrender my will to Yours. Teach me to trust You, listen for Your voice, and obey what You speak. Thank You for guiding me through Your Word. Amen.

## Study 2: The Trinity – Father, Son, Holy Spirit

### Key Scriptures:

Matthew 28:19

John 1:1–14

2 Corinthians 13:14

Genesis 1:26

### Summary

God is one Being in three Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The Trinity is a mystery but not a contradiction. Understanding how each Person works in perfect unity helps us worship God more fully and walk closely with Him.

### The Trinity in Action

- **God the Father** – Creator, sustainer, initiator of love (Isaiah 64:8)
- **Jesus the Son** – Savior, Redeemer, image of the invisible God (Colossians 1:15–20)
- **Holy Spirit** – Counselor, Comforter, empowers and guides (John 14:26)

### Practical Ways to Relate to Each

- Father – Trust His provision and authority
- Son – Follow His example and accept His grace
- Spirit – Listen, obey, and walk in step daily

### Reflection Questions

1. Which Person of the Trinity do I find easiest to relate to? Why?
2. Am I regularly inviting the Holy Spirit to lead me?
3. How does Jesus reveal the Father to me personally?

## Application Challenge

Start each prayer this week by addressing each Person of the Trinity. Ask the Father for wisdom, thank Jesus for redemption, and invite the Spirit to guide your steps.

## Memory Verse

“May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.” – 2 Corinthians 13:14

### Reminder:

Pray with a sincere heart to the one true God—your Heavenly Father—honoring who He is, thanking Him, confessing your sins, sharing your needs, listening for the Holy Spirit’s guidance, staying grounded in Scripture, and speaking to Him with honest, thoughtful words in the name of Jesus—not with empty or repetitive phrases, but with faith and reverence.

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## Journaling Space (sample)

Use the space below after each study to write your thoughts and prayers.

### What stood out to me?

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### What is God saying to me?

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### What am I going to do about it?

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### My prayer today:

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