

# Playing God

## “I Did It My Way”

**Prov. 3:5-7a:** *“Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; <sup>6</sup>in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight. <sup>7</sup>Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD and shun evil.”*

### **How Do I Hear God’s Voice & Allow Him to Guide My Decision-Making?**

#### **1. By communicating with Christ.**

- **James 1:5:** *“If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him.”*
- **Ps. 119:105:** *“Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.”*
- **Acts 13:2:** *“While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, ‘Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.’”*

#### **2. By consulting godly counselors.**

- **Prov. 15:22:** *“Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisers they succeed.”*

#### **3. By conferring with my conscience.**

- **Rom. 9:1:** *“I speak the truth in Christ—I am not lying, my conscience confirms it in the Holy Spirit.”*
- **Acts 16:6-7:** *“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. <sup>7</sup>When they came to the border of Mysia, they tried to enter Bithynia, but the Spirit of Jesus would not allow them to.”*

#### **4. By connecting to common sense.**

- **Matt. 10:16:** *“I am sending you out like sheep among wolves. Therefore be as shrewd as snakes and as innocent as doves.”*

#### **5. By considering the circumstances.**

- **Acts 14:5-6:** *“There was a plot afoot among the Gentiles and Jews, together with their leaders, to mistreat them and stone them. <sup>6</sup>But they found out about it and fled to the Lycaonian cities of Lystra and Derbe and to the surrounding country.”*