

“BEING A RESTORED HUMAN”

**“GOD’S DESIGN FOR LEADERSHIP” Part 4
“THE WAY OF THE LORD”**

II. TWO WAYS OF KNOWING AND HOW WE GOT THEM (continued)

A. *The true way of wisdom - faith-filled submission to God*

B. *The false way of knowing wisdom - the connection to revelation disconnects*

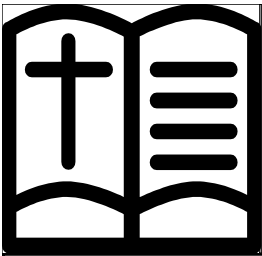
1. *Judging for yourself with you as the standard: appreciate, evaluate & justify, desire, take*

2. *Reaction to separation: experience guilt, run away, hide, cover up your vulnerability (from God and from one another), distrust of one another and of God, fear, shift the blame to the team and to God; incomplete knowledge, either/or*

3. *Result of separation: fear, distrust, competition, self-protection; self-seeking, results driven ; individual focused, non-reciprocal, prejudice, pride, conflict*

C. *Contrasts in the two ways of knowing*

<i>Purpose:</i>	<i>God’s glory</i>	<i>My benefit; profit</i>
<i>Person:</i>	<i>Christ</i>	<i>Me or my hero</i>
<i>Power:</i>	<i>Holy Spirit</i>	<i>Might, charisma, purchase, supernatural</i>
<i>Productive:</i>	<i>Fill, subdue, rule with compassion under God for His glory</i>	<i>Own, use, self-anoint, steal, enslave under our own power for our own glory or benefit</i>
<i>Principles:</i>	<i>God’s word, nature, Prayer, fellowship</i>	<i>Pragmatism, noble traits, hard work, results</i>



III. HOW TO GET ON THE RIGHT WAY OF WISDOM

A. Honest assessment

- 1. Indicators you are on the wrong path:*
 - a. You realize that your goals are all self-centered and in no way include God's glory*
 - b. When people speak of the things of God you find yourself bored, ignorant or unconcerned hoping for a subject change*
 - c. You get nothing from reading the Bible or any other spiritual discipline*
 - d. You realize you cannot name a single principle of God's way that you are living out*
 - e. You assume you're saved since everyone around you probably is and you like them*
 - f. You have no idea what it would mean to be filled with the Holy Spirit but you know it's missing*
- 2. Repent - change your mind and way of thinking*
- 3. If not bothered at all, you are either perfect or very far down the path of death. Cry out for knowledge and mercy, as your life is in great, foolish peril of eternal loss!*

B. Humility; brings grace; grace births faith

C. Trust - Abide in Christ as the Christ; trust His Word

D. Be completed by the Spirit of God

- 1. Start praising God, the true One, the Christ*
- 2. Get grateful and practice it*
- 3. Love the brethren through submission to one another in the community purpose*

E. Reject evil and evil companions

F. Get started with a new life! Follow compassion! God's counsel - get the heart of God