

I had completely overcome that indecisiveness with that. I reached the point where if there is no basis on which to make a decision, and you have to do one ~~of~~ ^{or} the other just take one and no regrets. But as a means of getting the Lord's will, casting lots is perhaps not an entirely false view but hardly a half-true view perhaps less than half, but sometimes the Lord chooses to lead that way.

Now the way that some have used to try to learn the Lord's will is to pick ~~i/a~~ vs. of the Script. at random. I suppose most of you have heard about the man who said Now what is the Lord's will? What shall I do? Let's find out. So he just opened the Bible at random. picked a vs. and it said, Judas went and hanged himself. Well. he said, That's not much help. Let's try another. So he turned over the page, struck another verse, and it said. "Go thou and do likewise." Well, he said, that's no good. Let's try a third time. So he tried a third time and it said, What thou doest do quickly." The Script. is not a magical ~~g~~ book to pick a verse out at random. God ~~made/~~ may use the vs. we happen to come on. That may be His will. He may stoop to our weakness in that regard. More important than that if we fill our minds with the Scripture when we are in a particular situation God may bring a vs. to our remembrance and we see how exactly that vs. fits with a situation. The grt. part of guidance is from the Word. It is the study of the Bible, but just doing things at random is certainly a false method ordinarily of learning the Lord's will. So much then for ~~bb~~ b. False, or half-true ideas of God's guidance.

c. If we belong to Christ and are putting Him first we can trust Him to direct our steps at crucial points, ~~if we belong to Christ and are putting~~ and should have faith that He is always guiding our steps despite our own shortcomings and failures. One important thing about guidance is that we by our own intelligence not only do not know what we should do, we don't know what decisions are important. You go in a ~~restaurant~~ ^{restaurant} and you say Shall I get the fish or shall I get the meat dish? And 9 times out of 10 nay 999 out of 1000 its absolutely immaterial which you get. But there's one case in 1000 where one of the two is ~~best~~ bad. And in that case it is very important you select the right one. And God will lead you I believe in such cases that you avoid doing that which will injure your service and be contrary to His will for you. It's easy to say. Just keep going straight ^{a certain} until you come to a corner then you want to have guidance. Shall you take this turn or that turn?