## Women's Ministries: Week Twelve.

Lead Me, Holy Spirit by Stormie Omartian

## **Next Women's Ministry Zoom Meeting:**

Sunday, February 7, 2021 at 5PM

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Peace. It seems to be a scarce commodity in a chaotic world. How can you have peace when everything around you seems to be falling apart? There is only one way to have true peace, complete peace. The kind of peace that lets everything else stay back at a distance to give you that quiet breathing space where you can hear your own heartbeat. Peace that only comes from trusting Jesus as your Savior. Trusting God to be in control. Trusting that you will be loved and cared for, no matter what comes. Trusting God's Word when He says in John 14:27, "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." There is something special, something sacred about letting go of fear and taking the hand of the One who made you, trusting Him to lead you safely through this world and safely home. For those of you who are still searching for that sacred peace, I pray you will put your hand into the hand of the One that made you and find it there.

This week, we will have a summary of *Led to Hear God's Prompting in Your Spirit* in Chapter 3. Questions for this week's reading *Led to Hear God's Will for Your Life*, Prayer Power and Word Power will follow.

In this past week's reading of *Led to Hear God's Prompting of Your Spirit*, the author talks about how to know when God is directing you to do something. It comes down to spending time with God, reading His Word, praying and worshiping Him. The more you obey Him, the more you will hear the Holy Spirit's prompting in your spirit. So what does that prompting look like? It will be a knowing, a sensing that something is right or wrong, or an urging to carry out an action.

As a personal example, one day not too long ago, I was going for a walk close to my home. I know the route very well and have walked it many times. I feel safe there. On this particular day, I sensed a warning. When I came to a certain place in that walk, I felt that I needed to stay off of the sidewalk in that area on the way back, that I needed to cross the street instead. Noting that warning, I kept on my walk. On my way home, I had forgotten about it. When I came close to that area again, not remembering why, I slowed down a little....just in time to see a huge tree branch crash to the ground and break on the sidewalk and road in front of me. It stopped traffic, almost hitting a car. I

still remember the look on the woman's face in the car. The tree limb was large enough that it would have killed me had I been a few steps further. I know that God was protecting me that day and I am very thankful.

As you spend more time with God, you will become more sensitive to the prompting of the Holy Spirit and you will begin to trust the Holy Spirit instructing you and impressing you about specific things. I personally know this to be true. I can tell when I slack off and when I am diligent.

This week, I challenge you to make the time to spend with the Lord so that you, too, will become sensitive to the prompting of the Holy Spirit.

Questions for this week's reading, *Led to Hear God's Will for Your Life*, Prayer Power and Word Power follows.

10. Read Ezra 1:1-5. In the book of Ezra, the work of the Holy Spirit is seen as "the hand of the LORD" who moves people to do His will (Ezra 7:6,27-28). In this case God moved the spirits of certain men by the leading of His Spirit to do His will and rebuild His house in Jerusalem. The Holy Spirit in you can move Your spirit to do His will also. Have you ever been moved by the Holy Spirit to do something you know or strongly feel was God's will? Describe that.

Write out a prayer asking God to stir up your spirit to hear from His Spirit so that you are always led in the perfect will of God.

- 11. Read Ephesians 1:11-12. What have we been given as believers?
- 12. Read Ephesians 5:17 What are you supposed to do?

Find out what the will of God is each day and follow the leading of the Holy Spirit. Look in the Word of God and find out what you know is not the will of God and don't do that. Find out what the will of God is and do it. Find out what pleases God and do that. According to your Bible, what are some things you are always God's will for you to do?

What are some things you know are never God's will for you to do? Write out a prayer asking God to help you know His will for your life, especially in any specific area that concerns you right now.

## Prayer Power

Lord, help me to hear Your voice speaking to me and giving me direction for my life. Enable me to follow You so closely that I never walk in any kind of rebellion against You. Keep me from being stubbornly addicted to my own desires, wants, or

determinations. Teach me to not be concerned with the esteem of men, but to be diligent about pleasing You. Keep me from ever rejecting Your leading. "Teach me to do Your will, for You are my God; Your Spirit is good. Lead me in the land of uprightness" (Psalm 143:10).

I am grateful that Your will for my life is good and it can be known. Give me wisdom to understand what Your will is (Ephesians 5:17). Enable me to do it. Help me to pray according to Your will, because I know You especially hear those prayers (1John 5:14-15). I choose to surrender to Your will every day so that I never get off the path You have for me. Lead me, Holy Spirit, to do what's right in every situation. Line up my heart with Yours. Help me to clearly hear Your leading so that I am always in Your will. Enable me to be fully available to do what You want me to do so that I can accomplish Your will for my life and Your will in this world. "I delight to do Your will" each day (Psalm 40:8).

In Jesus' name I pray.

Word Power

Do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is. --Ephesians 5:17

As you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure. --Philippians 2:12-13

I pray peace for you. I pray that you will be able to completely give your heart over to the Lord this week and receive His peace.

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