

## Series: 1 Corinthians (Jesus Above All Things)

### Sermon: What does God Want Me to Do?

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The question is: **what does God want** \_\_\_\_\_? *How does God want me to serve him? What job should I take? Should I go into \_\_\_\_\_? How much of a plan should I make?*

The five “P”s of knowing where to go and what to do, for the Lord:

Pray, \_\_\_\_\_, Push and \_\_\_\_\_, with God’s People.

**PRAY:** Paul is a man of \_\_\_\_\_ prayer seeking God’s help, wisdom, and open paths.

**PLAN:** Paul makes \_\_\_\_\_ on how to do what **he believes** will be \_\_\_\_\_.

**PUSH:** Paul pushed hard, working nonstop, was bold, and “fought \_\_\_\_\_...”

**PIVOT:** When it was clear his plan needed to change, Paul \_\_\_\_\_ direction, and pivots.

#### **“HOW TO PLAN” OPTIONS:**

- Human plans \_\_\_\_\_ the Holy Spirit.
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*Side fact: human opposition does **not** mean \_\_\_\_\_ is against my work, often there is opposition to my Christian ideals because there is a “\_\_\_\_\_”*

**WITH GOD’S PEOPLE:** Paul constantly \_\_\_\_\_ and supports other believers.

Doing it \_\_\_\_\_ in our book. *The exceptions are if a “brother” wants to be a leader but cannot control his own children or manage his home, sows dissension, promotes sexually immorality or things like that (see “Living Resurrected Lives” from four sessions ago).*

**The answer to the question is:** *go where you think you \_\_\_\_\_ well (maybe missions, maybe a secular job, maybe where you’re at now or maybe something else). Think through it, have advisors and make a plan! Then \_\_\_\_\_ even when facing obstacles, until the Holy Spirit moves you in a \_\_\_\_\_ direction. But, don’t forget to be a partner with God’s people all along the way.*

#### **Practical Application:**

**Pray:** To know what God wants, I should spend time praying (but \_\_\_\_\_, if God really has a specific place he’ll make it clear. Especially pray for wisdom and fearlessness). I can also journal, dream, asking advice, and think 10x.

**Plan:** I’ll figure out how I’m going to carry out some of these plans, then tell my growth group and \_\_\_\_\_ to it.

**Push:** And I’ll push (myself) even when it gets \_\_\_\_\_ I’ll stick with my growth group and give them updates.

**God’s People:** Instead of just running off on my own I’ll ask, “\_\_\_\_\_” or “What’s already happening around me that is doing this?” I’m not a 1-person show. I’ll look for others who I can partner with, as long as they fully love Jesus, \_\_\_\_\_ and aren’t disqualified (*see four sessions ago*).