

“Turning the Corner on Discernment”

Recovering the Art of Discernment

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Summary

Sin has interfered with discernment, substituting knowledge and experience. Re-referenced both voice and heart disturbing simple sequence of relationship with God. Thus knowing what God is doing becomes distant and distracted, thus difficult.

Redemption reorients the signal, but reacquaintance with heart and voice are necessary. The Holy Spirit, the Counselor, is a key role player in the reorientation. Scripture presents repeated echoes.

But what of the pattern?

My Sheep know my voice. (Jn 10.27) Mt 11.29. I am gentle and lowly. (heart of Jesus)

Philippians 4.8 is a key tool for discernment.

Whatever is...

TRUE- JN. 16.3; RO. 10.9-10

HONORABLE- PS. 8.; 1 CO.1.26-27; RV.5.13

JUST-

PURE-

LOVELY- 1 CO 13

COMMENDABLE-

MARK 12.28-34

IS THIS... (I think so, is not character reflective)?

Tools to sharpen, recognize God's heart and voice.

Scripture. Prayer (practicing the presence)

What is then, the 'the Next Right Thing?