

DIRECT ME IN MY WALK

Scripture: Psalm 119: 33-40

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Oh, God, Show me Your ways - Your intention for my life

When was the last time you asked for directions in your life or even on a trip? Or in a grocery store? I recently requested help in two different Sam's Club stores looking for unshelled peanuts. In store #1, a young clerk walked with me and showed me the stack. In store #2, I was told Aisle 30 and I was left to find them on my own. Which example made me feel more respected – loved as a child of God?

In this passage, the writer is asking for directions for life. Several phrases are "*Teach me*", "*Give me understanding*," "*Direct me*." I am sure I am like you, and ask God daily for direction for my life.

As I sit with this passage, I can see we have no further to go to seek direction in our life, than to look at the examples of Jesus in His life and His teachings. He shows us how to behave.

Jesus says, "*Love your neighbor*". Jesus shows us by example. In Samaria Jesus sits with the woman at the well. He sat with her, told her about her life. An Israelite man spending time with a "fallen woman".

Jesus went to forbidden places and talked with the lepers – and healed them. Jesus gave us an example of who we are to consider our neighbor in the example of the Good Samaritan.

I can see how Jesus shows me to follow Him. Not just in words, but in action. By His example.

Prayer: Most gracious and loving God, when I seek your direction may I remember the examples of Christ. When someone looks to me for direction, may I BE the living example as Jesus is for me. In Christ's Name. Amen

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