

JANUARY 10

“YOUR OWN UNDERSTANDING WILL GET YOU INTO TROUBLE EVERY TIME.”

READ

Proverbs 3:5-6, 16:25

Sadly, some Christians fall into sin, or make wrong decisions they will have to live with the rest of their lives, because they listened to the wrong voice. When you're confused by the voice you're hearing, and try to figure things out yourself, you mistakenly look for facts and figures around you to make decisions about spiritual things. Your hearing can be impaired from a lack of walking with the Shepherd. Your own understanding will get you into trouble every single time! If you ever stop growing in Jesus; if you only go to church for the fellowship; if you only read the Bible for facts rather than to know the Jesus in the Bible, your hearing gets muddled, and the direction for your life becomes confused. God speaks gently when He leads. He is a gentleman. He will never force you to follow Him. He simply calls. There's a difference between being led by the Spirit, and being driven by the flesh. The flesh is a bully that will force his way. Our Shepherd, Jesus, only calls. Are you listening?

PRAY

Lord, You speak plainly, yet sometimes I refuse to listen. I can be wise in my own eyes. Protect me from myself. May I lean not on my own understanding, but trust You.