Volume 2, Day 3: How to Become Confident in Him

Some Christians may never get to the point of such confidence in knowing God's voice as to proclaim that, "The Lord told me." But to be sure, you must start where you are and journey on from here. Consider each nudging in your spirit as God's Holy Spirit communicating to you with audible expression. This will take you into a different reality than you have formerly known of living and loving Him. This is by way of the route known as 'intimacy.'

Jesus said, "Come unto Me all you who labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light." That's how you know you're following Him. It's when you're more at rest in the Father's care and His affection for you. It increases your desire to share it with those around you.

No one will ever be particularly interested in sharing your anxiety, worry or fear. But many will want to experience the "peace that surpasses understanding," when it is observed in action. When you are overwhelmed by the stress of the trials in your life, you have no energy left to help bear another's problem. But when you are so trusting God that you let Jesus carry your load, you have freedom and desire to help others.

When Jesus told His disciples that they would be identified as His disciples by their unconditional love for them, He was speaking to the issue of trust. Your love for others will be unhindered by your own problems when and only when you have unloaded them onto Jesus' shoulders. This is when the love of God is fully alive in your heart. And God's love is the compelling force that draws all men to Himself. To fully love God is to fully trust God in all things.

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