

Discipline of Spiritual Discernment

Lesson #10 “Developing Discernment”

□ Read Chapter 9 (pages 153-162) and answer the following questions.

Philippians 1:9-10 And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in knowledge and all discernment, 10 that you may approve the things that are excellent, that you may be sincere and without offense till the day of Christ,

- 1) “Discernment is _____ something that is _____ or that can be _____ apart from other _____ of the Christian life.”
- 2) What are the four prerequisites for gaining discernment?
- 3) How do we actively pursue discernment?
- 4) How are we to value discernment in reference to gaining wealth?
- 5) Why should we cry out to God in prayer for discernment?
- 6) To be a person of discernment what must we commit ourselves to?
- 7) What has God not ordained us to?

- 8) “Christians are to _____ in spiritual communities and are _____ to one another. The local church is provided by _____ as a _____ of grace and as the _____ for much of the personal _____ that Christians experience.”
- 9) What was the turning point for Aspah in **Psalm 73** and why?
- 10) List the five reasons Mark Dever says a person must join a church.
- 11) “A person who _____ to be discerning must be a person of _____. Discernment _____ flourish where there is a _____ or _____ attitude.”
- 12) How do we display our humility before God?
- 13) How do we manifest our humility before others?
- 14) How are we to address another person’s erroneous understanding of the Scripture?
- 15) Discernment is _____ than a mere _____ judgment about _____ or error. Discernment _____ a _____; it requires _____.”

“Discernment is the skill of understanding and applying God’s Word with the purpose of separating truth from error and right from wrong.”