

**HOW TO SEEK GOD'S GUIDANCE AND WILL...
ESPECIALLY WHEN SCRIPTURE IS SILENT ABOUT THE SPECIFICS.
Genesis 24:1-67**

I. WE MUST HAVE AN UNSHAKABLE COMMITMENT TO THE LORD AND HIS WAYS (1-9)

- A. Abraham was walking with the Lord and was thus blessed (1)

- B. Abraham's planning did not contradict God's Word but was in line with His revealed plan and purpose (2-7)

- C. In the context of God's revealed will, Abraham planned and trusted the Lord to guide, yet did not presume upon the result (8-9)

II. WE MUST STEP OUT IN OBEDIENCE, WITH WISDOM, SEEKING AND TRUSTING THE LORD TO PREPARE THE WAY AND GUIDE US: Abraham's servant obeys, seeking the Lord to guide (10-14)

III. WE MUST BE IN CONSTANT, HUMBLE, FELLOWSHIP WITH THE LORD, WHICH WILL BE EXEMPLIFIED BY THE ENTIRE PROCESS BEING BATHED IN DEPENDENT PRAYER: Abraham's servant was walking with the Lord through the whole process as exemplified by his prayer and praise (12-14, cf 26-27, 53)

IV. IF YOU HAVE DEPENDENTLY, OBEDIENTLY AND NOT PRESUMPTIVELY TRUSTED THE LORD, THEN YOU WILL PRAISE HIM FOR ALL THE RESULTS: The Lord causes the Abraham's servant to be successful in getting a godly bride for Isaac and thus Lord received all the praise and glory (15-26, 27-67)

V. SOME ADDITIONAL PRINCIPLES