

Career Exploration

Week One: Decision Making and Discerning God's will

A large part of career exploration is trying to discern God's will for your life.

Dr. Bill Bright founded Campus Crusade for Christ (now called Cru) and was frequently asked about discerning God's will by the college students he worked with. You can find Dr. Bright's "Sound Mind Principal letter" at <http://crupressgreen.com/the-paul-brown-letter/>.

I encourage you to read it to start this course. He wrote it to a young student named Paul Brown, and so it is also often referred to as "The Paul Brown Letter."

After reading that letter, take your time and answer these questions through this upcoming week:

What is a sound mind?

How is it different from common sense?

What are some of the areas of talents Dr. Bright mentions?

Can you list more areas of talents (see Romans 12:6, Ephesians 4:11, and I Corinthians 12:1-31)?

Outline (list) the steps Dr. Bright recommends in the letter to discern God's will.

What is a "closed door" policy?

What does Dr. Bright think of the "closed door policy" and why?

Summarize the Sound Mind Principle.

What are some ways that you can begin to discern God's will for your life?