

Let your eyes look directly forward, and your gaze be straight before you. Ponder the path of your feet; then all your ways will be sure. Do not swerve to the right or to the left; turn your foot away from evil. Proverbs 4:25-27 (ESV)

Focused On You

I will keep my eyes focused on you. I will keep on moving forward with you. I will not look back. I will not swerve to the left or the right. I will not run ahead of you. I will not lag behind you. I will keep in step with you. I will follow you to wherever you lead me. I will do whatever you ask of me. I will not allow myself to become distracted. I will not allow myself to be diverted. I will not allow myself to become dissipated. I will follow you with all my heart and mind and soul and strength. I will not retreat. I will have no regrets. I will hold nothing in reserve. I will pursue you and the life you have for me with all that is within me. **That will be very good.**

What makes you so sure? Why are you so filled with passion? What spurs you on to want to follow me with all that is within you? I have nothing I would rather do. There is no place I would rather go. You have given me a new life to live. You have given my life hope and meaning and purpose. You have shown your kindness. You have allowed me to taste your goodness. You have richly blessed my life. You have lavished me with your love. I now love you because you first loved me. I am not following and serving you because I should or must. I am following and serving you because I love you with all my heart and mind and soul and strength. **That is very good.**

How will you stay with me on the path of life? How will you keep on following me? What will prevent you from swerving to the left or right? How will you be sure to keep in step with me? How will you know for sure that you will not run ahead or lag behind me? My heart and mind and life will remain focused on you. I will meet with you in your word. You will have my complete attention. I will draw near to you as you draw near to me. I will hold on to you as you hold on to me. My focus will remain completely on you. I will listen to all that you want to say to me. I will follow and obey you. I will trust you with every step I will take in life. I will rely on you rather than on myself. My life will be in your hands. **That will be very good.**

Lord, I will carefully consider my steps along the path of life. I will keep my heart and mind and life focused on you. I will not swerve to the right or left. I will keep on walking straight ahead with you. I will follow you to where you lead me to do all you ask of me. Amen

God's Will *Look Straight Ahead*

Let your eyes look straight ahead, fix your gaze directly before you. Make level paths for your feet and take only ways that are firm. Do not swerve to the right or the left; keep your foot from evil.

NIV Proverbs 4:25-27

God's Will *Look Directly Forward*

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ESV Proverbs 4:25-27

God's Will *What Lies Before You*

Look straight ahead, and fix your eyes on what lies before you. Mark out a straight path for your feet; stay on the safe path. Don't get sidetracked; keep your feet from following evil.

NLT Proverbs 4:25-27

God's Will *Look Straight Ahead*

Let your eyes look straight ahead, And your eyelids look right before you. Ponder the path of your feet, And let all your ways be established. Do not turn to the right or the left; Remove your foot from evil.

NKJV Proverbs 4:25-27

God's Will *Look Directly Forward*

Let your eyes look directly forward, and your gaze be straight before you. Keep straight the path of your feet, and all your ways will be sure. Do not swerve to the right or to the left; turn your foot away from evil.

NRSV Proverbs 4:25-27

God's Will *Straight Ahead*

Keep your eyes straight ahead; ignore all sideshow distractions. Watch your step, and the road will stretch out smooth before you. Look neither right nor left; leave evil in the dust.

MSG Proverbs 4:25-27

God's Will *Straight Before You*

Let your eyes look right on [with fixed purpose], and let your gaze be straight before you. Consider well the path of your feet, and let all your ways be established *and* ordered aright. Turn not aside to the right hand or to the left; remove your foot from evil.

AMP Proverbs 4:25-27

God's Will *Look Straight Ahead*

Look straight ahead; don't even turn your head to look. Watch your step. Stick to the path and be safe. Don't sidetrack; pull back your foot from danger.

TLB Proverbs 4:25-27

God's Will *Straight In Front Of You*

Let your eyes look directly ahead And let your gaze be fixed straight in front of you. Watch the path of your feet And all your ways will be established. Do not turn to the right nor to the left; Turn your foot from evil.

NASB Proverbs 4:25-27

God's Will *Look Straight Ahead*

Keep your eyes focused on what is right, and look straight ahead to what is good. Be careful what you do, and always do what is right. Don't turn off the road of goodness; keep away from evil paths.

NCV Proverbs 4:25-27

Look Directly Forward

Year _____ Week _____ Day _____ Date _____

God's Will – Proverbs 4:25-27

In Context: *Read Proverbs 4*

Begin With Prayer:

Here I am Lord. I Am Listening.

Meditating On God's Word: ***(What is God speaking to your heart?)***

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Considering The Words: ***(What words speak to your heart?)***

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Praying The Scripture:

(What prayer from your heart will you write?)

Lord, I will carefully consider my steps along the path of life. I will keep my heart and mind and life focused on you. I will not swerve to the right or left. I will keep on walking straight ahead with you. I will follow you to where you lead me to do all you ask of me. Amen

What It Means:

(What questions speak to your heart?) *(Suggested questions for small group discussion are in bold)*

How are you keeping your eyes on Jesus Christ as you follow Him?

Where has Jesus Christ led you as you have followed him?

What has Jesus Christ given you to do for Him as you have followed Him?

What has helped or hindered your keeping your eyes on Christ so you can follow Him?

How is meeting with God in His word helped you to keep your eyes on Jesus Christ?

How are you guarding yourself from serving away from following Jesus Christ?

How happy are you to be walking on the path that the Lord has laid out for you?

Living It Out:

(What action step is God guiding your heart to take?)

Keep your eyes focused on Jesus Christ so you will go where He guides you to do what He asks of you.

Seeing It Happen:

(What are you trusting God for in your heart?)

Have faith that Jesus Christ will lead and guide your life as you keep your eyes fixed on Him.

Get Ready To Share:

(What can you share with others from your heart?)

Share with another person or your small group how you are keeping your eyes fixed on Jesus Christ?

Close With Prayer:

Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

Pause And Offer Prayers Of...

With An Attitude Of Faith Listen To What The Lord Wants To Say To You

Adoration... _____

Thanksgiving... _____

Confession... _____

Intercession... _____

Petition... _____

Journal

As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?

What Prayers Are You Praying Today?

Prayer Of Blessing

(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)

May you keep your eyes on Jesus Christ so you can follow Him.

Prayer To Carry

(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)

Lord, I will keep my eyes on you so I can follow you.

What Do You Want To Remember About Today?

A Question To Ask God

(What Would You Like To Ask God?)

Lord, where do you want to lead me as I follow you?
