

Rerouting...

By Robin Reynolds

A few weeks ago I was driving to Kansas for a visit with my family. I was traveling in the car with my youngest son, Micah-Ray, my daughter Ashley and her kiddos. We had planned on breaking up the trip by spending the night in Oklahoma City at a hotel that I had previously stayed at once before. It was a little ways off of the main route. Before we left I put the address of my hotel into my iPhone GPS because I knew it would be late at night and I would need help finding my way. As we approached Oklahoma City, I turned the GPS on and followed the instructions as they were spoken to me. However, Ashley and I were in deep conversation and I realized I had missed my exit right about the time I was going past it. As I looked down at my phone I noticed that it [and the lady's voice] said, "REROUTING". We began to visit again and I ended up missing the next exit, too. So, I had to reroute again. The GPS got us to the hotel just fine, even with my two missed exits.

That night as I laid in bed, I thought about the whole GPS/rerouting thing. I love it when the Holy Spirit [Spirit of God] reveals common every day events to teach a spiritual lesson. I'm not saying that a GPS is like the Holy Spirit, yet it is. In the natural with my phone, if I choose to turn on the GPS and allow it to find my location it will know where I am at all times. If I make a wrong turn the GPS will still get me to my destination, though the path of the journey might have changed a bit. Rerouting is no big deal unless I choose to ignore it. In the spiritual, if we choose to allow the Holy Spirit into our lives and give Him the authority to lead and guide us,



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He will; and He always knows where we are at all times. The Holy Spirit also knows when we've missed it or when we didn't exit at a place where we should have. He doesn't freak out about it, but instead He tells us how we can get back on the path/route that we need to take for our life journey so that we get to where we are going. When we listen to and follow the leading and guidance of the Holy Spirit, we will always get to our destination even if the path didn't look like what we thought it would at the start. We will never be lost with Him because He always knows where we are and where we are going.



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