



SOME PRINCIPLES INVOLVED IN MAKING A DECISION

Deep belief that God is involved in my own unique history, that God is active right now as I am prayerfully going about this process that God does in fact communicate with me very personally.

Awareness that my decision-making involves not only my decision but God's. God elects, God chooses, God's preferences should govern my decision.

An understanding of what is meant to be spiritually free (disponibilitate,) an understanding of the necessity of coming to equilibrium, 'indifference' before I can discover what the Lord is calling me to.

An awareness and belief that God brings me to this spiritual freedom; I cannot bring myself. I may even have to wait until God places the desire in my heart.

A real hunger and desire to do God's will.

A deep desire to serve Jesus in the ministry to which I am being invited.

Such knowledge and love for Jesus that I become ready to hear a call beyond my own desires and attachments.

Realistic appraisal of the data underlying the decision.