

FirstFruits Gathering At Harvest Christian Church

Stay In Your Lane March 1, 2022 Mya Sanders

I heard "stay in your lane" four different times in my life. The first time was when I was in the military. "Stay in your lane" was said by the higher rank military running the practice gun range. They would say it when it was time for us to shoot our practice targets. So, the Father is saying "stay in your lane" and focus on the target (your assignments) that he has given you. Because what you do affects everyone.

Proverbs 4.26 (TPT) says, **Watch where you're going. Stick to the path of truth and the road will be safe and smooth before you. Do not allow yourself to be sidetracked for even a moment or take the detour that leads to darkness.**

The second time was when I went go-cart racing with my friends in college and the announcer was going over the rules and said, "stay in your lane". Now usually when you go go-cart racing all you wear is your helmet. But the Holy Spirit told me to wear my knee pads. I had bought knee pads specifically for this one dance class that had us rolling on the floor. I was knocked out of my lane, hit on the driver's side which caused me to lose control of the go-cart and flip it over on its side. So, the Father is saying, "Stay in your lane" even if you are crashed into or knocked down or look foolish. He will protect us because we are on the path that he told us to be on.

Proverbs 4.11

I have directed you in the way of wisdom; I have led you in the upright paths.

The third time I heard "stay in your lane" was from one of my students. I must have said it to the class before and he picked it up. But he said "stay in your lane" with the meaning of "mind your own business" to another student who was asking him a question. In **Thessalonians 4.11** it says, **And to aspire to live quietly, and to mind your own affairs and to work with your hands as we instructed you.** Now this doesn't mean not to help others, but you should have the right motive to want to know someone's business. So, the father is saying "stay in your lane"; don't try to find out people's business with the wrong intent, do not be nosy or gossip.

1 Peter 2.1

So put away all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander.

The last time I heard "stay in your lane" was when the Holy Spirit was reminding me to stay on the path that he has set before me. We all have assignments and different missions individually and as a corporate body, that we need to complete. Sometimes you are taken off one path to go to another. Some paths are difficult with many challenges, but you must keep going. In **Isaiah 42.16** it says **"I will lead the blind by a way they do not know. I will make darkness into light before them and bugged places into plains. These are the things I will do, and I will not leave them undone."**

Proverbs 3.6

In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight.

So the Lord is saying "Things will shake that can be shaken, things might fall apart right under your feet or all around you but do not look down, don't look back. Do not worry about what happened in the past but move forward in me. Keep your focus only on me. And you will walk uprightly before me. Do not concern yourself about the path that you are on because I will guide you always to be on the right one. Listen to the pace that I have set before you. There will be times to run, times to walk at your normal pace, times to walk slow, times to stand still.

Psalm 119.105

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

Micah 4.2

Many nations will come and say, "Come and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord and to the house of the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us about His ways and that we may walk in His paths." For from Zion will go forth the law, even the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

God is saying "Trust me with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. I have plans for you to give you hope for the future. I know what is best for my children because I know everything about them. I know things you do not know about yourself. Let me lead you to the land of milk and honey.

Little did I know I would be at Harvest Christian Church in Detroit, Michigan and given Detroit Worshiping Warriors Ministry where we go out to the streets of Detroit and other places to spread the gospel and pray for people. I know without a doubt that I am on the right path that GOD has led me to. Doesn't it feel good to know that?

Proverbs 4.14

Do not enter the path of the wicked and do not proceed in the way of evil men.

Proverbs 2.20

So you will walk in the say of good men and keep to the paths of the righteous.

Proverbs 16.3

Commit your works to the Lord and your plans will be established.

Declare and Decree:

We declare and decree that we are on the right path, and we will stay in our lane. Thank You Father for always setting us on the right path before you, even when we go astray, forgive us Lord so you can lead us back to you. Thank You for not giving up on us. Because you said the crooked will become straight and the rough roads smooth. So, we know there is no such thing s coincidence – that 'Detroit' means straight in French because of our founders. So you are reminding us, Father, that Detroit is already straight before you Lord. That you guard the paths of justice in our city, in our state of Michigan, in our country and around the world. You preserve the way of your people, so we honor you, Father, and declare we will only follow you forever. We Thank You, Father, for Detroit – surrounded by the most mighty lakes in the nation. We declare that our paths are in the mighty waters and new living waters are pouring out of us. We choose to join in the battle with you, Lord and not sit on the sidelines. Because you fight our battles for us and we know you cannot loose. It is time to expand our way of thinking and expand our action into what the Father has said to do. So we continue to believe in His word, that we are more than conquerors – we are your new warriors in Jesus Christ. As physical war continues, we will not live in fear no matter what is going on in the world. Because we are fighting the biggest war of all time, the spiritual war between good and evil, but we are confident in this war because we have already won! So we rely on you Lord for every need and we do not take our eyes off of you. We declare that the footprints of the righteous are seen as we stand together, expanding our territory on earth and in the heavenly realms. Because God, you are always working and will not stop until your work is complete in Jesus' Name. AMEN.