

Decision deferment – not discernment –
but Pawning it off on God to avoid responsibility!

Decision - a conclusion or resolution reached after consideration. the action or process of coming to a judgment

Deferment – putting something off to a later time; postponement. Suspend, delay, procrastinate

Discernment – the ability to judge well. perception in the absence of judgment with a view to obtain spiritual direction and understanding.

Responsibility – a duty and obligation to deal with something or having control over a decision. being accountable or to blame liability. make decisions without authorization. a moral obligation to behave correctly, maturely, and wisely.

Procrastination –

1 Cor 14:40 –

Ecc 9:10 –

Ecc 11:4 –

Gal 6:9 –

Hosea 10:12 –

James 4:7 –

John 9:4 –

Luke 12:35 – 40 –

Prov 10:4 –

Prov 12:24 –

Prov 13:4 –

Prov 14:23 –

Prov 18:9 –

Prov 20:4 –

Eph 5:15-17 –

Luke 9:59-62 –

Prov 24:30-34 –

Discernment -

1 Cor 2:14 -

1 cor 12:10 –

1 cor 14:29 –

1 John 4:1 –

1 Kings 3:9 –

1 Thess 5:21 –

Heb 5:14 –

Hosea 14:9 –

John 7:24 –

Matt 10:16 –

Prov 15:14 –

Psalms 119:125 –

Phil 1 :9,10 –

discernment, examples of

Perfect discernment is displayed by God and Jesus Christ. Evil spirits also have discernment, about the person and work of Christ. Discernment has been evident in the rulers and spiritual leaders of God's people, but Israel, like children and the foolish who lack judgment, failed to discern God's purpose and truth.

1. Peter discerned Jesus' identity in __Matt 16:13____ who do you say?

2. Pharisees could not discern - __John 5:39____ you search the scriptures daily...

3. Paul discerned the woman with the spirit ____Acts 16:17____

4. Demons discerned the sons of Sceva ____Acts 19:15____

Wisdom: (like logos) general for everyone all the time

The gift of wisdom gives you insight into God's purpose and will and shows you how to resolve the everyday problem for you and for other people. It goes without saying that you are resolving them according to the Holy Spirit's guidance and God's will. Mind you Solomon squandered it and solved problems apart from God as he followed after other gods. However, we can have wisdom without the gift of discernment, because the gift of discernment goes further, but we cannot have the gift of discernment without wisdom

Discernment: (like rhema) specific for a person for rite now

Consists of what people calls word of knowledge, it also comprises distinguishing amongst spirits etc. While some people separate them, the Holy Spirit taught me they are one in the same because what we are doing is seeing through others with the very eyes of the Holy Spirit. As we grow in the Lord and walk with Him daily, the gift keeps growing as well. We have insight into the purpose and the will of God about us and other people. We can see their motives, sometimes even their thoughts etc. We really have insight on people and things that only God would know.

God's discernment

[Ps 139:1-4](#) See also [Job 31:4](#); [Job 34:21](#); [Heb 4:13](#); [1Jn 3:20](#); [Ps 19:12](#) God alone knows our hidden faults.

Jesus Christ's discernment

[Jn 2:25](#) See also [Mt 9:4](#) pp [Mk 2:8](#) pp [Lk 5:22](#) Jesus Christ discerns the thoughts of the teachers of the law; [Mt 16:23](#) pp [Mk 8:33](#) Jesus Christ discerns the source of Peter's words; [Mt 22:18](#) pp [Mk 12:15](#) pp [Lk 20:23](#) Jesus Christ discerns the true motive of his questioners; [Jn 1:47](#) Jesus Christ sees into the heart of Nathaniel; [Jn 8:16](#) Jesus Christ has perfect discernment of right and wrong.

Evil spirits' discernment

[Mk 1:23-24](#) pp [Lk 4:33-34](#) See also [Mk 1:34](#) pp [Lk 4:41](#); [Ac 16:17](#)

Discernment in those who govern

Joseph: [Ge 41:39](#); [Ac 7:10](#) *Solomon:* [1Ki 3:12](#); [2Ch 2:12](#)
[Job 12:20](#) elders

Examples of spiritual discernment

[2Ki 4:9](#) See also [Jn 4:19,42](#)

[1Ki 22:19-23](#) pp [2Ch 18:18-22](#) Micaiah discerns that a lying spirit is responsible for false prophecy. See also [Jer 23:16-22](#) Jeremiah knows that the false prophets' message is not from God; [Ac 5:3](#) Peter is aware of the deception of Ananias and Sapphira; [Ac 8:23](#) Peter discerns the true condition of Simon's heart; [Ac 16:18](#) Paul discerns the spiritual source of a girl's fortune-telling ability.

Futher examples of discernment

[2Sa 14:18-20](#) David sees through Joab's ruse; [1Ki 3:24-28](#) Solomon discerns a child's true mother; [Ne 6:12-13](#) Nehemiah sees through the plot against him.

Lack of discernment

Young children lack discernment [Dt 1:39](#) *See also* [Isa 7:15-16](#); [Jnh 4:11](#)

Israel's lack of discernment [Dt 32:28](#); [Lk 12:54-56](#) *See also* [Isa 1:3](#); [Isa 5:13](#); [Isa 44:18-19](#); [Eze 12:2](#); [Ac 28:27](#); [Isa 6:9-10](#)

Those who lack judgment [Pr 6:32](#); [Pr 10:21](#) *See also* [Pr 7:7](#); [Pr 9:4](#); [Pr 12:11](#); [Pr 18:1](#); [Pr 24:30](#)