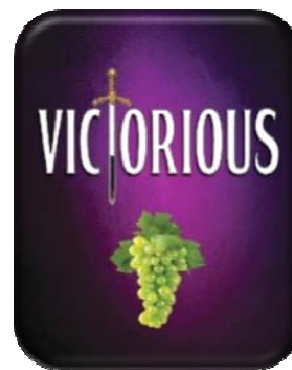


California Prospects

CASE STUDY 5



Bob is excited about a job offer he recently received from a company in California. At his church's regular prayer service, he shared his excitement and the prospects of being able to enjoy some financial freedoms. The job he has now is adequate, but it just barely meets the financial needs of his family.

After the prayer service, Pastor Brown approached Bob and congratulated him on the job offer. He also encouraged Bob to remember not to get ahead of God. He suggested to Bob that just because a door opens does not mean he must go through it.

Later that night, Bob could not shake Pastor Brown's words from his mind. He started thinking about the men's ministry he was slated to start at the church and about the coworkers he hoped to lead to Christ. Yet the prospects in California were so good.

1. How did God let the Israelites know where to go (Joshua 3)?
2. How can Bob know God's leading, since he cannot see God?
3. What might happen if Bob did not stop to consider God's leading?
4. What open doors or decisions do you need to take to God for His guidance?