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Title: Waze

Theme: God guides us through the Holy Spirit and His word.

Object: Smart phone with Waze app.

Text: Proverbs 3:5-6 New King James Version (NKJV) Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths.

How many have ever heard of a GPS?

GPS stands for “Global Positioning System.”

Many cars today have a built-in GPS or you can get it as an app on your smart phone.

I have a GPS on my smart phone called Waze. Let me show you.

If I want to go somewhere in my car and I don’t know how to get there, I just put the address in Waze and press “Go.”

Then a nice lady’s voice comes on and tells me every turn to make and when to make it.

Not only that, I get a picture of a map on my phone that shows me the road I’m on and the turns that are ahead. [show map]

Then it also tells me how many miles to my destination, how fast I’m going, and the time I’m going to arrive.

It even tells me if there any policemen up ahead that might arrest me for going too fast!

But one of the best things about a GPS is that if you make a wrong turn, it says, “recalculating.”

And then in a couple of seconds, it tells you how to get back on the right road again.

It is really amazing, and it’s all done with satellites that orbit the earth in space, and with computers, and the internet.

In traveling through life, God has given us a GPS that we might call “God’s Positioning System.”

Our Bible verse today tells us to trust in the Lord with all our hearts and put Him in charge, and He will direct our paths in life.

When we love Jesus, God gives us the Holy Spirit to help us know which way to turn.

The Holy Spirit points us in the right direction by helping us to know what Jesus would do.

Just like the GPS has a map to follow, the Holy Spirit also follows a map.

The map that the Holy Spirit follows is the Bible.

When the Bible says something is wrong, the HS says: “Don‘t go that way!”

But when the Bible says something is right and good, the HS says: “Go this way.”

It’s like God’s little voice in your brain saying: “This is the way, walk in it.”

And even if you miss a turn and go the wrong way and get lost, you can ask Jesus to forgive you, and He’ll recalculate for you and get you back on the right path again.

So listen kids, if we want God to guide us through life so that our journey will end up in the heavenly kingdom instead of the lake of fire, we have to trust in Jesus and obey His word, the Bible.

That’s why its so important to know what the Bible says.

That’s why we need to be in church and SS each week and go to church school and read Bible stories at home.

How many want God to guide them to the heavenly kingdom?

Let’s ask for God’s GPS today.