



Dealing With Traffic Signs

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"In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths." Proverbs 3:6

Ever notice some of the traffic signs in your life? Got "falling rocks" coming down on you or you feel so overwhelmed that you know you are going through a "flooded area"? We all have ups and downs in our lives and have to journey through some rough roads, but the Lord does take us through some smooth roads where we can put on the cruise control as well.

The Christian life requires traveling a lot of roads and we are always going to pass some various signs along the way. Some we may welcome. Others may require us to grab hold of the wheel a little tighter and trust the Lord a little more. We have to remember that we are not taking the trip alone but that the Lord is always there to travel with us.

TRAFFIC SIGNS

I'm sure we all wish at times that we had literal signs warning us that there are things out there in life that can and will trip us up if we don't travel the road of life cautiously. Look through the list of Traffic Signs. Are there any you've seen recently on your journey through life? Are there any that remind you of some of your life experiences? Check as many as pertain.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Animal Crossing (Deer, Cow, etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Low Clearance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bridge Out | <input type="checkbox"/> Merge |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Construction Ahead | <input type="checkbox"/> No Parking |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Curve Ahead | <input type="checkbox"/> No Passing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Divided Highway | <input type="checkbox"/> No Shoulder |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Do Not Block Intersection | <input type="checkbox"/> One Way |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Do Not Pass | <input type="checkbox"/> Pass With Care |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Parking Only | <input type="checkbox"/> Pedestrians Prohibited |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Falling Rocks | <input type="checkbox"/> Railroad Crossing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Freeway Entrance | <input type="checkbox"/> Road Closed |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hill Use Low Gear | <input type="checkbox"/> Road Closed to Thru Traffic |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Keep off Median | <input type="checkbox"/> Road Narrows |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lane Ends | <input type="checkbox"/> Scenic Route |

- Slow Traffic
- Speed Advisory
- Speed Limit (min/max)
- Tow Away Zone
- Viewing Area
- Wrong Way
- Flooded Area
- Dead End

- No Outlet
- Not a Through Street
- Detour Stop
- Stop Ahead
- Be Prepared to Stop
- Go
- Yield

PAVEMENT CONDITION SIGNS

Watch out for that loose gravel! We can lose our grip! Look through the list of Pavement Condition Signs. Are there any you've seen recently on your journey through life or do some help you remember places you've traveled on your journey? Check as many as pertain.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Bridge Ices Before Road | <input type="checkbox"/> Rough Road |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bump | <input type="checkbox"/> Shoulder Drop Off |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dip | <input type="checkbox"/> Slippery When Wet |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Loose Gravel | <input type="checkbox"/> Soft Shoulder |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Low Shoulder | <input type="checkbox"/> Truck Crossing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> No Center Stripe | <input type="checkbox"/> Uneven Lanes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pavement Ends | |

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

What's the roughest road you've traveled in your life? Not literal of course, but what experience have you went through that you found the most difficult thing in your life's journey so far?

What did you learn through the experience?

What's the smoothest road you have traveled in your life?

What did you learn through the experience?

What is the road you have traveled in life (or the experience) that you feel has prepared you for life the best?

Do you think you allow the Lord to have total control of the roads (decisions) you take and make in your life?

How do you gauge that you are going in the direction of the Lord's leading instead of your own?

How much do you read and rely on the Bible for direction in your life?

How much do you rely on prayer for direction in your life?

How much do you rely on the Holy Spirit for direction in your life?

WHERE WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO?

If you could travel anywhere in the world, where would it be?

If you could see the end of your life's journey, where would you have liked to have traveled? In other words, where would you like to be spiritually at the end of your life? What lessons would you have liked to have learned? What spiritual benchmarks would you have liked to have surpassed?