

## D. Be Strengthened in His Might

We fulfill His purpose by His power; we are productive by His power; we have substance by His power.

He has given us what we need to fulfill His will.

He's given us the kind of power that enables us to endure and exercise patience in the middle of our problems.

It's His will that that through His power you bear up under the weight and pressure of your situation and not give in regardless of what is going on.

## E. Giving Thanks in Everything

*1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 NKJV – (16) Rejoice always, (17) pray without ceasing, (18) in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.*

## F. Be Sanctified

*1 Thessalonians 4:3a NKJV - For this is the will of God, your sanctification...*

*John 17:19 NKJV - And for their sakes I sanctify Myself, that they also may be sanctified by the truth.*

## CONCLUSION

God's will is that you would be a person of influence and substance wherever you are so that you positively impact every life and situation that you encounter. It's God's will that you be productive in every good work that you do, to get to know God better today than you did yesterday and to experience the supernatural power of God in everyday life.

# WHAT'S GOD'S WILL FOR ME?

## Part 1 – His Sovereign & Moral Will

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## INTRODUCTION

What is His will, how do we know it, how does it work? Does He have a plan for me, how can I discover it, and how can I know for sure God's will in a specific situation?

-God's sovereign will requires faith within relationship, where all the "whys" won't be answered.

-God's moral will calls for obedience within relationship because it has our best interest at heart.

-God's individual will requires intimacy within relationship.

## I. THE MYSTERY OF HIS SOVEREIGN WILL

"Though God ultimately determines all things, He does so without being the author of sin, without violating the will of man, and without destroying the reality of decision making."

*Daniel 4:35 NKJV - All the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing; He does according to His will in the army of heaven and among the inhabitants of the earth. No one can restrain His hand or say to Him, "What have You done?"*

*Proverbs 21:1 NKJV - The king's heart is in the hand of the Lord, like the rivers of water; He turns it wherever He wishes.*

*Acts 4:27-28 NKJV – (27) "For truly against Your holy Servant Jesus, whom You anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles and the people of Israel, were gathered together (28) to do whatever Your hand and Your purpose determined before to be done.*

God's sovereignty is not a matter of logic or reason...it's a matter of faith...faith in the Person of who God is.

## II. THE NATURE OF HIS MORAL WILL

The moral will of God expresses the character of God and is revealed in the Bible teaching us how to believe and live.

*1 Peter 1:15-16 NKJV – (15) but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, (16) because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy."*

Within God's sovereign will is God's moral will and within the circle of God's moral will are the commands and principles that we are to apply to our lives.

God has revealed His moral will which assumes freedom of choice within the stated limitations.

*Genesis 2:16-17 NKJV – (16) And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, "Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; (17) but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."*

Our decisions need to be in harmony with the moral will of God...God will never "lead" us to do something that is against His moral will in the Bible.

*Colossians 1:9-11 NKJV – (9) For this reason we also, since the day we hard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; (10) that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; (11) strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, for all patience and longsuffering with joy.*

### A. Walk Worthy of the Lord-Fully Pleasing Him

Vine's dictionary tells us that "worthy" means "of weight."

God's will for you is that your life would have substance to it; that you would be a person of influence for the Lord so that people will not look at how great you are but how great the God you serve is.

*Hebrews 13:21 NLT – May he equip you with all you need for doing his will. May he produce in you, through the power of Jesus Christ, every good thing that is pleasing to him. All glory to him forever and ever! Amen.*

*Micah 6:8 NKJV - He has shown you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God?*

*Matthew 22:37-40 NKJV – (37) Jesus said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.' (38) This is the first and great commandment. (39) And the second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' (40) On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets."*

### B. Be Fruitful In Every Good Work

*John 15:5 NKJV - I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.*

*Ephesians 2:10 NKJV - For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.*

*Colossians 3:23-24 NKJV – (23) And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men, (24) knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance; for you serve the Lord Christ.*

### C. Increasing in the Knowledge of God

That you would know Him a little deeper, a little stronger, and a little more intimate every day.

*John 14:21b NKJV - And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him.*

To know Christ and to make Him known - this is the will of God for you.