

## GOD'S WILL

Numbers 6:24-26 "The Lord bless you and keep you! May the LORD make his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you! May the Lord turn his face upon you and give you peace!"

Ps 33:11 *The will of the Lord endureth forever*, and the purposes of his heart endure from age to age.

Is 46:9-10 "Remember the past, the old things; for *I am God*, and there is no other; I am God, and no one is like me. I announce the end from the beginning, long before I say the things that have not yet happened; I say: My plan will stand, *and I will carry out all my will*.

Rev 4:9-11 "As often as these living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to him who sits on the throne and who lives forever and ever, the twenty-four elders bow down before him who sits on the throne and worship him who lives forever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying, "You are worthy, O *Lord and our God*, to receive glory, honor, and power: for *you created all things, and by your will they were created and exist*."

What is God's will?

Eph 5:17 "Therefore do not act lightly, but *try to understand what the will of the Lord is*.

Rom 12:2 "*Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may know by experience what the will of God is, the good, the pleasing and perfect will*.

Praying as Jesus did in Gethsemane to do God's will

Lk 22:42 *Father*, if you will, take this cup away from me. But *not my will*,

but yours be done.

Ps 40:8 "My God, I desire to do thy will, and thy law is within my heart."

Ps 143:10 Teach me to do thy will: for thou art my God, and thy gracious Spirit guide me to a plain ground.

Mt 6:9-10 "Therefore you pray thus, 'Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name; your kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

1 - God's will is that all men be saved

1 Tim 2:3-6 ... God, our Savior, who wills that all men should be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God and also one mediator between God and men, Christ Jesus the man, who gave himself as a ransom price for all; this is the testimony given in due time.

Jom 1:18 "He willed to beget us according to his will by the word of truth, that we might be the first fruits of his creatures."

Those who reject the message of the gospel of grace reject God's will for their lives

Lk 7:29-30 "All the people who heard it, even the tax collectors, recognized the righteousness of God, being baptized with the baptism of John; but the Pharisees and the doctors of the law, not allowing themselves to be baptized by him, rejected God's will for them.

2 - God's will is to hear, obey and put into practice His Word

Mt 7:21 (Jesus said) Not everyone who says to me, Lord, Lord! he will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven.

Mk 3:35 (Jesus said) Whoever does the will of God is my brother, sister and mother.

Lk 8:21 "But he (Jesus) answered them, 'My mother and my brothers are the ones who hear the word of God and do it.'

We have two great examples of how God's will was done:

### 1 - Abraham

Ge 22:10-12,18 "Abraham stretched out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. But the angel of the Lord called him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" He answered, "Here I am." And the angel: "Do not stretch out your hand against the boy or hurt him! Now I know that you fear God, for you have not refused me your son, your only son." All the nations of the earth will be blessed in your seed, because you have obeyed my voice."

Heb 11:17 "By faith Abraham, when he was put to the test, offered up Isaac; he, who had received the promises, offered up his only begotten son.

### 2 - Jesus Christ who out of obedience to the Father sacrificed himself for all mankind

Lk 22:42 "Father, if you wish, take this cup away from me. But not my will, but yours be done."

Jn 19:30 "When Jesus had taken the vinegar, he said, 'It is finished! And bowing his head, he gave up his spirit.

### 3 - God's will is to hate evil, sin and sanctify himself

1 Peter 1:14-16 "As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of the past when you were in ignorance; but as he who called you is holy, you also must be holy in all your ways, for it is written, 'Be holy, for I am holy.'

1 Thess 4:3-9 "For this is the will of God, that you sanctify yourselves, that you abstain from fornication, that each one of you should know how

to possess his own body in holiness and honor, not giving himself over to disordered passions as do foreigners who do not know God; that no one oppresses his brother or exploits him in business; for the Lord is an avenger in all these things, as we have already told you and stated before. For God has called us not to impurity, but to sanctification. Whoever therefore despises these precepts does not despise a man, but that God who also gives you the gift of his Holy Spirit. As for brotherly love, you do not need me to write to you about it, since you yourselves have learned from God to love one another.

Ed 10:11 But now confess your guilt to the LORD, the God of your fathers, and do his will.

1 Jn 2:17 ... the world passes away with its lust; but he who does the will of God remains forever.

1 Jn 3:9 "Everyone born of God does not persist in committing sin, because the divine seed remains in him, and he cannot persist in sinning because he is born of God."

Heb 10:26 "For if we persist in willful sin after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there is no longer any sacrifice for sins.

Pr 8:13 "The fear of the Lord is to hate evil; I hate pride, and arrogance, and the way of evil, and a perverse mouth.

Jom 4:17 "Whoever knows how to do good and does not do it commits sin.

4 - God's will is to serve, to do good to all, to pray and to thank God for everything

1 Jn 3:18 "Little children, let us not love in word or tongue, but in deed and in truth.

Mt 21:28 ... "Son, go to work in the vineyard today."

Lk 12:43-46 "Blessed is the servant whom the master finds when he comes,

intent on doing so. Truly, I say to you, he will appoint him over all his goods. But if that servant says in his heart, "My master is slow to come"; and he begins to beat the servants and the maidservants, to eat and drink and to get drunk, the master of that servant will come on the day that he does not expect and at the hour that he does not know, and he will punish him severely, and will assign him the fate of the infidels.

Mal 3:18 "You will see again the difference between the righteous and the wicked, between the one who serves God and the one who does not serve him.

Jom 2:15-16 "If a brother or sister has no clothes and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, 'Go in peace, and be warmed and filled,' but you do not give them the things necessary for the body, what good is it?

Deut 15:7-8,10-11 "If there be a needy brother among you in one of the cities of the land that the LORD your God is giving you, you shall not harden your heart, nor shut your hand before your needy brother; but you shall open your hand to him widely, and lend him whatever he needs for the need in which he is. Give him generously; and when you give him, do not let your heart ach; for because of this, the LORD thy God will bless thee in all thy works, and in all things that thou shalt put thy hand to. For the needy will never be lacking in the land; Therefore I give you this commandment and I say to you: open your hand generously to the poor and needy brother who is in your country.

Heb 10:36 "For you need patience, so that when the will of God is done, you may obtain what has been promised you."

1 Thess 5:15-18: Always seek the good of one another and the good of all. Always be joyful; never cease to pray; in everything give thanks, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

1 Pt 2:15-17 "For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should shut the mouths of the ignorance of foolish men." Do this as free men, who do not use freedom as a veil to cover malice, but as servants of God. Honor

everyone. Love your brothers. Fear God. Honor the king.

1 Peter 4:19 "Therefore let those who suffer according to the will of God entrust their souls to the faithful Creator and do good.

Jn 9:31 "It is known that God does not hear sinners; but if anyone is pious and does the will of God, he hears him.

1 Corinthians 15:57-58 ... thanked be God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brothers, stand firm, unshaken, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

2 Corinthians 13:13 "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all." Amen.