

## God's Will

Everyone who gets to know the Lord is driven to know God's will with a desire to follow it. However, God has clearly revealed His will in scripture that we should be more focused on than anything else. Before we get God's specific will for our lives, we must first adhere to the written will of God clearly spelled out in scripture.

### A. God's will is to "BE"

- a) The scriptures clearly show us that we ought to "BE" and after BEING God's will, we will DO God's will. BEING precedes DOING God's will.
- b) If we cannot "BE" God's will, we cannot DO it!
- c) God's will has to be understood in **terms of Being**, not doing, going, or having.
- d) As we "be" God's will, our Character is built and developed. God's will is not something we "Do" but something we "BE".
- e) Therefore BE:
  - i) Born again (John 3:3)
  - ii) Holy and Godly (Titus 2:11-12)
  - iii) Be filled with the Holy Ghost (Ephesians 5:14-19)
  - iv) Thankful. (1 Thessalonians 5:18)
  - v) Separate (2 Corinthians 6:17)
  - vi) Mind renewed and Transformed. Romans 12:1-2
  - vii) Light of the world and Salt of the earth (Matthew 5:13-16)
  - viii) Blessing

- ix) Merciful, Kind one to another. (Ephesians 4:32)
- x) Witness (Acts 1:8)
- xi) Fruitful and Filled with the knowledge of His will (Colossians 1:9-12).

## B. God's will in DOING

John 4:34 Jesus saith unto them, My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work.

- a) **Once we have settled the being part of God's will, we can now move on to the doing of God's Will.**
- b) **We cannot just be God's will. We have to do His will as well.**
  - i) Being born again. Salvation to all mankind. (2 Peter 3:8-9)
  - ii) Renewing our minds and not being conformed to this world. (Romans 12:1-2)
  - iii) Thanksgiving. (1 Thessalonians 5:18)
  - iv) Filled with the Holy Spirit (Ephesians 5:17-18)
  - v) Abstain from Fornication (1 Thessalonians 4:3-7).
  - vi) Subject to Authority (1 Peter 2:13-21)
  - vii) Godly and righteous living, Denying ungodliness and worldly lusts (Titus 2:11-14). Deny means to refuse, disavow, reject, abnegate, renounce, turn away, turn our backs on, refrain.
  - viii) Employer-Employee Relationship (Ephesians 6:5-8)
  - ix) Healing (Matthew 8:2-3).
  - x) Suffering for doing what is right (1 Peter 3:13-17; 1 Peter 4:1-4).
  - xi) Giving (2 Corinthians 8:4-5).
  - xii) Delivered from this present evil world (Galatians 1:3-4).
  - xiii) Persecution (1 Peter 4:12-19; 1 Timothy 3:12)

Colossians 4:12 Epaphras, who is *one* of you, a servant of Christ, saluteth you, always laboring fervently for you in prayers, that ye may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God.