

Embracing God's Glorious Will



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Every true follower of Jesus Christ says he wants to do the will of God, yet most Christians think of God's will as something that is imposed on them — something distasteful and difficult that they are forced to do. They picture God demanding that they give in to a hard set of rules and conditions: "Do it my way or you're on your own!" How very wrong they are.

When a believer knows the glory of doing the Lord's perfect will, he embraces it with joy and hope. To embrace means "to clasp, as in your arms" as an expression of love and affection. God's will is not just for ministers or deeply spiritual saints, but for all his children. The New Testament exhorts us, "[God makes] you complete in every good work to do His will, working in you what is well pleasing in His sight" (Hebrews 13:21). God desires that you enter into his plan and will today.

The early apostles had one desire for all the churches — that every member know God's perfect will and embrace it. Paul wrote of a brother named Epaphras "who is one of you, a bondservant of Christ ... always laboring fervently for you in prayers, that you may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God" (Colossians 4:12). Epaphras knew God had a perfect will for everyone in the congregation and that if they entered into it, they would find joy and have their needs met.

Christ told his disciples, "I do not seek My own will but the will of the Father who sent Me" (John 5:30). "For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me" (6:38).

There was never a moment in Jesus' life when he wasn't aware that his purpose on earth was to do the will of the Father. And this ought to be true of you as well. Once you embrace the will of God, something incredible happens—Jesus manifests himself to you in new ways!

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