

FINDING THE WILL OF GOD

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What is the will of God? This is a question we all find ourselves asking at some point in our lives. It is easy to find ourselves at the crossroads of careers, relationships, ministry opportunities, and life aspirations—praying and asking the question of which of these choices is the true will of God for our lives. Is one choice better than the other? Will one avenue open more doors, thus leading us down the road of God’s true will for our lives? Finding the will of God can sound altogether complicated and terrifying, when truthfully, we complicate it much more than we need to. If you find yourself at this crossroads, here are a few things to consider.

- 1. Focusing only on the destination will make you miss the beauty of the journey.** Don’t be so obsessed with the destination God has planned for you that you miss what He wants to do in you through the process of getting there (ask Joseph). Trying to skip some of the process will ultimately do a disservice to God’s plan for your life.
- 2. Be faithful in the “small things”** (Luke 16:10). Individuals who prove faithful in small things are often the very people who are set up with big things (ask David). Always strive to do your best in where you are and with what God has given you. This formula will take you to incredible places.
- 3. Stay true to the “ways of God.”** One of my favorite passages of Scripture, Proverbs 3:5-6, provides a formula for finding the true will of God for our lives: “Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.” It is extremely easy to get so caught up in finding the will of God that we altogether neglect the ways of God. Being strong in the ways of God is the shortest route to finding yourself in the will of God. God loves faithful servants. Stay grounded in prayer. Spend time buried in His Word. Acknowledge God in all your ways, and trust that He will be faithful to direct your path. If you will stay true to the ways of God, you will find yourself walking in the will of God.

So what is the will of God? The will of God is to continue in the ways of God. When you’re not sure about the scary life decisions, stay grounded to what you know. Don’t focus so much on the destination that you miss what God wants to do through the journey. Be faithful in the small things. Oftentimes, we focus so much on what we DON’T know about God’s plan for our lives that we neglect what we DO know of God’s will for our lives. Remember the words in Proverbs, “In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.”