

God's Will Leader's Guide

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- 1. What happens when we follow God's will for our lives? When we don't follow it? (If we follow, we'll be wise, lead a powerful life, be history makers and world changers. We'll please God. If we don't follow, we'll miss out on opportunities and NOT please God.)**
- 2. How is Jesus a model for us in following God's will? (He followed 100%. Came to earth to do Father's will, not his own will.)**
- 3. When did Jesus struggle to do the Father's will? (Before dying on the cross. He asked the Father to take the cup of suffering away from him.)**
- 4. In what ways does God provide us with all we need for doing his will? (Gives us gifts of Holy Spirit, works in our hearts to change them, gives us desire and power to do his will.)**
- 5. What are some ways we can discover God's will? (Bible, prayer, listening to Holy Spirit, counsel, circumstances- open and closed doors, peace or lack of peace, dreams in our hearts, being "all in".)**
- 6. Give some examples of God's will that is revealed in the Bible. (Be sexually pure. Always be thankful. Work hard. Stop lying. Quit stealing. Forgive. Don't use dirty language.)**
- 7. Jesus discovered God's will through prayer. What example of this does the video give? (Jesus prayed all night before choosing his 12 disciples.)**
- 8. How does the Holy Spirit speak to us? (In a whisper; still, small voice; through thoughts that pop into our heads; through gut feelings; through inner knowing. Holy Spirit will never speak against anything in the Bible.)**
- 9. How did Holy Spirit guide Paul on his missionary trip? (Told him NO twice. Don't go into this area. Perhaps he had no peace or someone on the team received a prophetic message. Paul received a vision/dream in the night showing him where to go.)**
- 10. What does it mean to "listen to your heart", dreams? (How did God wire you? What do you love? Your dreams for your life may be from God!)**

God's Will Bible Study

1. Psalm 139:16 Who Is God?

- Saw me before I was born
- Recorded every day of my life in his book
- Has a plan, purpose for my life
- Created me with a destiny

Who Is Man?

- Created with a destiny

So What?

- My life is not random! I have a destiny
- Do I know what God's plan is for my life?

2. Ephesians 5:17 Who Is Man? "Don't be stupid. Instead, find out what the Lord wants you to do." (CEV)

- Could be foolish or wise, stupid or smart.
- Wise people find out God's will for their lives
- Foolish people ignore God's will for their lives

Who Is God?

- Has a plan, a will for my life!

3. Colossians 1:9-10 Who Is God?

- Gives people complete knowledge of His will when they pray v.9
- Gives wisdom. Gives understanding. v.9
- Pleased when we follow His will for our lives v.10
- Is pleased when we live fruitful lives

- Is pleased when we get to know Him better and better

Who Is Man?

- Find out God's will through prayer
- Receive wisdom and understanding through prayer
- If we know God's will and DO IT, we please God
- Can be fruitful for God
- Can get to know God more and more. Should not be satisfied with our current spiritual level

So What?

- If I want to please God, I need to know His will for my life!
- Do I want to get to know God more and more?

4. John 6:38 Who Is Jesus?

- Came down to earth to do God's will
- Did not come to do His own will. Obeyed God always.

Who Is God?

- Sent Jesus to earth

So What?

- Jesus is an example for me. Jesus did not choose his own will. If Jesus' will differed from the Father's, he chose the Father's will
- Am I willing to "die" to my own will and do God's will?

5. Philippians 2:13 Who Is God?

- Works in believers to give them desire to please God, do His will
- Works in believers to give them POWER to do his will

Who Is Man?

- Can please God because He'll give me DESIRE to do his will

- Can please God because He'll give me POWER to do His will

6. Psalm 32:8 Who Is God?

- Guides is along best pathway for our lives. Teaches, shows way to go.
- Advises us. Counsels us.
- Watches over us. His eye is on us.

So What?

- God promises to guide ME!

7. Acts 16:6-10 Who Is Holy Spirit?

- Says NO! Prevents, forbids Paul and Silas from sharing Good News in Asia. Shuts door. v.6
- Leads, guides.
- Does not allow Paul and Silas to enter Bithynia v.7
- Gives Paul a dream/vision. Opens another door.

Who Is Man?

- Need to keep moving forward when a door is closed
- Recognize the guidance of God through a dream/vision.
- Make a unified decision to go to Macedonia immediately v.10

So What?

- When God closes one door, he will open another one
- God can speak to me through dreams/visions

8. Proverbs 15:22 Who Is Man?

- Need good advice from other people, or things will go wrong
- Our plans will succeed if we seek out many counselors

So What?

- We should listen to the advice of others who are wise

- **God guides us through the counsel of others**