

# How to Know the Will of God!

## Colossians 1:1-10 Jesus First Series Part 1

If you stood face-to-face w/Jesus right now what would U ask Him? Paul had that opportunity in Acts 9

His questions were..... **1. Who are You? 2. What do want me to do?**

When we pray for people do we ever pray for them to Know His Will?

*This letter is from Paul, chosen by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus, and from our brother Timothy. <sup>2</sup>We are writing to God's holy people in the city of Colosse, who are faithful brothers and sisters in Christ. May God our Father give you grace and peace. <sup>3</sup>We always pray for you, and we give thanks to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>For we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and your love for all of God's people, <sup>5</sup>which come from your confident hope of what God has reserved for you in heaven. You have had this expectation ever since you first heard the truth of the Good News. <sup>6</sup>This same Good News that came to you is going out all over the world. It is bearing fruit everywhere by changing lives, just as it changed your lives from the day you first heard and understood the truth about God's wonderful grace. <sup>7</sup>You learned about the Good News from Epaphras, our beloved co-worker. He is Christ's faithful servant, and he is helping us on your behalf. <sup>8</sup>He has told us about the love for others that the Holy Spirit has given you. <sup>9</sup>So we have not stopped praying for you since we first heard about you. We ask God to give you complete knowledge of his will and to give you spiritual wisdom and understanding. <sup>10</sup>Then the way you live will always honor and please the Lord, and your lives will produce every kind of good fruit. All the while, you will grow as you learn to know God better and better.*

Colossians 1:1-10

## THE WILL OF GOD FOR YOU!

**I. His \_\_\_\_\_ Will For Him alone!**

*Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices shouting in heaven: "The world has now become the Kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ, and He will reign forever and ever." Revelation 11:15*

*Oh, how great are God's riches and wisdom and knowledge! How impossible it is for us to understand His decisions and His ways! <sup>34</sup>For who can know the LORD's thoughts? Who knows enough to give Him advice?*

Romans 11:33-34

*The LORD our God has secrets known to no one.*

Deuteronomy 29:29

**II. His \_\_\_\_\_ Will For Everybody!**

The Ten Commandments, the Sermon on the Mount, the Beatitudes—all of these things.

**III. His \_\_\_\_\_ Will For YOU!!**

*We ask God to give you complete knowledge of His will and to give you spiritual wisdom and understanding.*

*<sup>10</sup>Then the way you live will always honor and please the Lord, and your lives will produce every kind of good fruit.*

Colossians 1:9-10

## Mistakes Made About Knowing and Doing the Will of God

- > People Think the Will of God is Like a Roadmap      It's not it's A \_\_\_\_\_!
- > People Think that God is a Celestial Killjoy      Psalm 84:11, James 1:17, Romans 12:2
- > People Think that God Only Has a Will for Certain People      Matthew 10:30
- > People Think that God Reveals His Will in a Cataclysmic Experience      1 Kings 19:11– 12
- > People Think that the Will of God is Only for Young People      Joel 2:25
- > People Think God Hides His Will from Us      Ps. 32:8

## What We Need to Keep in Mind in Regard to the Will of God

**Guidance is Promised** *The LORD says, "I will guide you along the best pathway for your life. I will advise you and watch over you.* Psalm 32:8

### **Guidance is Provisional**

**There Must Be a Willingness** *Anyone who wants to do the will of God will know whether my teaching is from God or is merely my own.* John 7:17

**There Must Be a Meekness** *The meek will he guide* Psalm 25:9

**There Must Be an Openness** *As many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the children of God* Romans 8:14

**Guidance is Very Practical** These are in order of priority

**The Word of God** *Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.* Psalm 119:105

**The Spirit of God** *For as many as are led by the Spirit, they are the sons of God.* Romans 8:14

**The People of God** *Plans go wrong for lack of advice; many advisers bring success.* Proverbs 15:22

**The Providence of God** *There is a wide-open door for a great work here, although many oppose me.* 1 Corinthians 16:9

You need to be **F.A.T.**

**F** \_\_\_\_\_  
James 1:5-6

**A** \_\_\_\_\_  
Proverbs 9:9

**T** \_\_\_\_\_  
Proverbs 8:17

### **Answers:**

Sovereign, Standard, Special,  
Relationship, Faithful, Available,  
Teachable

SAVE THE DATE  
November 9th

*International  
Mission's Dinner*



Fellowship Hall  
5:30 pm

### Financial Update

Total Weekly Budget  
\$ 12,080.00

Weekly Offering  
Received

October 20, 2019

**\$ 6,888.97**

*Next Steps* WHERE DOES GOD  
WANT YOU TO GO  
FROM HERE?

New Members Class

Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup>

11:15 am

In the Fellowship Hall

Potluck Luncheon

PRAYER

November 10<sup>th</sup> | 11:15 am