

# God's Will

This week we are learning about God's will and things that fall under it. Let's first start out by saying that the Church is not the building, it is the people in it. The Church body is about you and your relationship with God. Whether a Church lives or dies depends on your response to God's will. We have a responsibility to take care of what God has given us and being good stewards of those things. Doing God's will includes taking care of His Church, the building and the people in it. This includes tithes, being good stewards, listening to God and jumping at a chance to serve our Lord and Master. The question is why do we try and deprive God of what is already His. We only have it because He gave it to us in the first place. God's will for us is to be good stewards that means we need to be utilizing and managing all resources God provides for the glory of Himself and the betterment of His creation.

What does it mean when we say, "May Your Will Be Done"? What are we telling God when we say that. Do we know and understand what we're saying or are we just saying it because we heard somebody else or we think it's the right thing to do. Do we say, "Let Your Will Be Done", and then turn around and not honor our words to God. He hears you and expects you to follow through the best you can. What's important is that you seriously try. Every day of our lives is to be lived for God's purpose, according to His plan, and in obedience to His desires.

Although trials may seem contrary to God's will, He assures us that whatever He allows is designed for our good, even the heartaches and hardships. When we go through hardships and trials, we learn how much we need God, we learn to rely on Him.

When we make decisions, there are things we should probably consider: 1) Is this decision consistent with God's word? 2) Do I have a genuine peace about the decision? 3) Does this decision fit who I am as a follower of Christ? 4) Does this decision fit God's overall plan for my life? 5) Will this decision honor God? 6) Can I expect God to reward me for this decision?

Malachi 3:8

Proverbs 3:9

Psalms 24:1

Psalms 40:8