

His Will is My Will – Bible Study

Luke 22:41-43 (NLT)

41 He walked away, about a stone's throw, and knelt down and prayed,

42 “Father, if you are willing, please take this cup of suffering away from me. Yet I want your will to be done, not mine.”

43 Then an angel from heaven appeared and strengthened him.

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In the passage we just read, we find Jesus at a point of mental, physical and emotional anguish. He's having trouble with His soul (mind, **will**, emotions, intellect, and imagination). He knows what He should do. He just doesn't want to do it. We all, like Jesus have found ourselves at a place where we know what we're supposed to do, but we're struggling to pull the trigger and do it.

Sometimes, we wish God would just make us do right. However, God is so just that He won't violate our human will. He wouldn't even violate Jesus' will. And He was the God-man in the flesh. Today, we will discuss another aspect of the soul; the will. God has placed in each of us tremendous power. **Will Power.**

Will power: The ability and control exerted by a person to accomplish a task or restrain oneself from certain impulses or actions.

John 20:24-25 (NASB)

24 But Thomas, one of the twelve, who was called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came.

25 So the other disciples were saying to him, “We have seen the Lord!” But he said to them, “Unless I see in His hands the imprint of the nails, and put my finger into the place of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe.”

Belief is an interesting thing that is often ironic. Something can be a lie and you believe it. Inversely, something can be true and you do not believe it. **Belief is a choice that resides in your will.** That's why we ask at the end of every service, "Whose report will you believe?" We must choose to believe the truth, regardless of the facts. Remember, facts are subject to change. The truth is not. **FACTS CANNOT CHANGE THE TRUTH. THE TRUTH CAN ALWAYS CHANGE THE FACTS.**

1. I will believe everything God says.

Matthew 18:21-22 (MSG)

21 At that point Peter got up the nerve to ask, "Master, how many times do I forgive a brother or sister who hurts me? Seven?"

22 Jesus replied, "Seven! Hardly. Try seventy times seven.

Peter thought he was doing something special, when he asked Jesus, "How many times do I forgive, seven times?" Jesus astounds him by saying, "No, seventy times seven." He was literally saying, "You must forgive, every time." Here's a profound quote by Beth More, "***Nothing is more unforgiving than unforgiveness. It prematurely ages, makes us sick, sore, mean-spirited & self-absorbed. Makes us unpleasant to be around. Our bodies turn into vessels of bottled-up bitterness, spewing on everybody. Forgiveness does everybody around us a favor.*** You may never feel like it. But, make up your mind, **I WILL FORGIVE, NO MATTER HOW BAD IT HURTS.**

2. I will forgive everyone who wrongs or hurts me.

Psalm 42:5 (NLT)

5 Why am I discouraged? Why is my heart so sad? I will put my hope in God! I will praise him again my Savior...

Psalm 34:1 (NASB)

Abimelech, who drove him away, and he departed.

34 I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

The Bible teaches us that God inhabits the praises of His people. That means, every time I praise God, I get Him on the scene. He's always there. However, our praises make us more aware of His presence. If you want Him involved, here's your formula: **I NEED TO PRAISE HIM.... DISCOURAGED, I NEED TO PRAISE HIM. WORRIED, I NEED TO PRAISE HIM. HAPPY, I NEED TO PRAISE HIM...THE MORAL OF THE STORY IS, I NEED TO PRAISE HIM.**

3. I will praise God in every circumstance or situation.

Isaiah 40:31 (NKJV)

31 But those who wait on the Lord Shall renew their strength; They shall mount up with wings like eagles, They shall run and not be weary, They shall walk and not faint.

Isaiah 40:31 (NLT)

31 But those who trust in the Lord will find new strength. They will soar high on wings like eagles. They will run and not grow weary. They will walk and not faint.

There are so many people who claim to trust God, but lack accountability to a leader He has placed in their life. God speaks to us through His written Word, His Voice, and His prophets. Our success or failure will be determined by whose word we choose to honor. The Bible says, **“Believe in God and you will be established. Believe His prophets and you will prosper.”**

4. I will trust in God, His men and women.

1 Samuel 17:32 (NLT)

32 “Don’t worry about this Philistine,” David told Saul. “I’ll go fight him!”

2 Chronicles 20:15 (NLT)

15 He said, “Listen, all you people of Judah and Jerusalem! Listen, King Jehoshaphat! This is what the Lord says: Do not be afraid! Don’t be discouraged by this mighty army, for the battle is not yours, but God’s.

The interesting thing about God is that the battle belongs to Him. However, on Earth, He needs somebody to be His hands and feet. You and I just need to be willing to stand up for Him. The glory belongs to God. But the victory and the spoils belong to His representatives. **THERE IS A REWARD FOR ALLOWING YOUR WILL TO LINE UP WITH HIS WILL AND FIGHTING ON HIS BEHALF.**

5. I will fight every time God needs a representative.

God is so just that He won’t violate our human will. He wouldn’t even violate Jesus’ will. And He was the God-man in the flesh. God has given us all tremendous power, **Will Power**. When we learn to properly line up our will with His will, we will see our lives become everything God has promised.