

## BIBLICAL WISDOM #4 - FINDING GOD'S WILL

### ROMANS 12:1-2

There is a good, acceptable, and perfect will of God that we may prove, but not without sacrificial living and a renewed mind.

#### I. CANNON (GOD'S WORD) - JOHN 5:30b

- A. The Will of God will ALWAYS align with the Word of God
  - 1. His word is magnified by God (PSA. 138:2)
  - 2. Cults minimize Scripture (maximize emotion)
- B. Jesus IS the very Word of God (JOHN 1:1-3)
  - 1. Created all things / nothing created without Him
  - 2. He holds them together by His power (COL. 1:17)
- C. God cannot contradict His Word HEB. 6:17-20
- D. If it goes against the Bible, it is NOT God's will

#### II. COMFORTER - JOHN 16:13a

- A. Sent by God, as the Father sent the Son JOHN 16:7
  - 1. What will He do? Testify of Jesus (JOHN 14:26)
  - 2. What will He do? Testify of Truth (JOHN 15:26)
  - 3. Which is used to sanctify us JOHN 17:17
- B. Holy Spirit discerns the things of God 1 COR. 2:13-16
- C. He GUIDES us into all truth, the word is TRUTH
- D. If it goes against the Comforter, it is not God's will

#### III. COUNSELORS - PROV. 11:14

- A. Godly counsel is safety even when you don't understand
  - 1. Authorities (father, husband, pastor) may not be able to explain a lack of peace on a matter
  - 2. Your authority HELD accountable (HEB. 13:17)
- B. REMEMBER there is bad counsel too 1 KINGS 12:1-15
- C. If it goes against Wisdom, it is not God's will

#### IV. CIRCUMSTANCES - ACTS 27:15

- A. God opens and closes doors in our lives
  - 1. Don't weep for the closed ones! God is good!
  - 2. Walk through the open ones! God is good!
- B. Paul genuinely WANTED to go to Asia (ACTS 16:6-7)
- C. Men Paul trained did what he couldn't (ACTS 19:10)

CONCLUSION: The Will of God is easy to find for the humble. Sacrifice to obey, renew the mind through the Comforter, humble oneself to listen to counsel, walk through the doors God opens.

PSA. 138:2 - "I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name for thy lovingkindness and for thy truth: for thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name."

JOHN 1:1-3 - "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. (2) The same was in the beginning with God. (3) All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made."

COL. 1:17 - "And he is before all things, and by him all things consist."

JOHN 14:26 - "But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you."

JOHN 15:26 - "But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me:"

HEB. 13:17 - "Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you."

ACTS 16:6-7 - "Now when they had gone throughout Phrygia and the region of Galatia, and were forbidden of the Holy Ghost to preach the word in Asia, (7) After they were come to Mysia, they assayed to go into Bithynia: but the Spirit suffered them not."

ACTS 19:10 - "And this continued by the space of two years; so that all they which dwelt in Asia heard the word of the Lord Jesus, both Jews and Greeks."