

"And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."

-NIV

## **Knowing God's WILL**



The Christian life is a life led by God. One of the many things that separates the Christian life from the life of the non-believer is that Christian do not life for themselves. For those who are in the world and of the world, their life is primarily lived for and directed by themselves. In contrast, the Christian life is lived for Jesus, and directed by the Holy Spirit, all for the glory of God the Father. Therefore in order for the Christian to live a life led by the Holy Spirit, there needs to be an awareness of God's WILL in their life. The WILL of God has to do with God's direction and purpose as it relates to the small decisions as well as the bigger decisions.

Knowing God's WILL starts by not conforming to the world. The secular world as we stated earlier, does not seek to live according to God's WILL; and thus promotes values, alternative lifestyles, and priorities, which are contrary to the WILL of God. For the Christian, step one in knowing God's WILL is to resist being conformed and molded into the world's system of thinking, values, and habits. We are told that friendship with the world is enmity with God, and those who are living being led by the flesh cannot please God.

Only through the WORD of God can we renew our mind's to know God's perfect WILL. In our verse of the day, we are instructed to renew our minds through the WORD of God. This points to the importance of Bible literacy and spending quality time in God's WORD so that we will not be led astray by the world. Those who do not know God's WORD will struggle to know God's WILL. As the believer feeds on God's WORD, the thoughts of God slowly become their thoughts as well. Their decision making process will begin to change and the Holy Spirit will bring to their remembrance all that the Lord has said for the purpose of walking in God's WILL for their life.

Your brother in Christ, WNL

## **THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

Knowing God's WILL starts by knowing God's WORD

## PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Dear God, please help me to make regular time in the WORD for the purpose of being transformed by the renewing of my mind in order that I may know your WILL. In Jesus name I pray, amen.

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