

“SO...WHAT’S NEXT?...”

HOW DO WE DECIPHER
GOD’S **SPECIFIC** WILL FOR
OUR LIVES?



**“For this reason also, since the day we heard this, we haven’t stopped praying for you. We are asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding.”
(Colossians 1:9; CSB)**

God's General Will → God's decree and desire for all of His people and creation

“This is good, and it pleases God our Savior, who wants everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.”

(I Timothy 2:3-4; CSB)

God's *Specific* Will → God's decree and desire for an individual person's life

“For I know the plans I have for you”—this is the LORD’s declaration—“plans for your well-being, not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope.”

(Jeremiah 29:11; CSB)



1) COMPASS

**Know God's character
through His Word**

(Psalm 119:104-105)

2) CALL

**Seek God's face through
fervent & consistent
prayer (James 1:5-6)**



3) COUNSEL

**Surround yourself with
mature believers
(Acts 13:1-3)**



4) CIRCUMSTANCES

**Notice what God is
doing around you
(Phil. 1:12-13)**



5) COMMON SENSE

Remember God

**(sometimes) uses logical
steps (Titus 2:11-12)**



6) CONSCIENCE

**Compare your plans to
God's general will
(1 Cor. 9:19-23)**



7) CONTENTMENT

**Search your heart and
mind for God's peace
(Colossians 3:15)**



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