

SUMMER at GRACEWOOD
“My Will or Thy Will?”
July 23, 2023

**THREE PHASES AS WE MOVE TOWARD THE
SURRENDERED LIFE**

1. YOU WANT WHAT YOU WANT, NOW.

Genesis 16:1-2 *Now Sarai, Abram's wife, had borne him no children. But she had an Egyptian slave named Hagar; 2 so she said to Abram, “The LORD has kept me from having children. Go, sleep with my slave; perhaps I can build a family through her.”* (NIV)

Proverbs 19:21 *Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the LORD's purpose that prevails.* (NIV)

2. YOU WANT WHAT GOD WANTS, BUT.

Mark 10:21-22 *Jesus looked at him and loved him. “One thing you lack,” he said. “Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor; and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.” 22 At this the man's face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth.* (NIV)

WHAT “BUT” IS IN THE WAY OF GOD’S WILL?

Titus 1:16 *They claim to know God, but by their actions they deny him.* (NIV)

3. YOU WANT WHAT GOD WANTS, PERIOD.

Luke 9:23 *Then [Jesus] said to them all: “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me.”* (NIV)

Matthew 26:39 *“My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will.”* (NIV)

Psalm 37:4 *Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart.* (NIV)

REFLECTION QUESTIONS:

**WHAT “BUT” IS HINDERING YOU FROM DISCERNING
GOD’S WILL?**

**WHAT IS YOUR NEXT STEP IN PURSUING GOD’S WILL
FOR YOUR LIFE?**
