

Abide Forever

1 John 2:17

This is Derek Prince with a word for you from the Word.

*And the world is passing away, and also its
lusts; but the one who does the will of God
abides forever.* NASB

We are living in a very impermanent and changeable world. Nothing that we see is going to last permanently. The ambitions, the desires, the passions of people of this world who are immersed in time and the things of the flesh are all going to pass away. There are forces at work in the world – spiritual and material forces much more powerful than we are, forces that we cannot control. We are just like a little speck on the surface of a river being carried along.

Is there any way to find permanence? Is there any way to find security? Yes, it's simple. Those words contain the answer: "But the one who does the will of God abides forever." In the last resort, God's will is going to stand. When everything else collapses and falls away and becomes impermanent and insecure, disappoints us, and maybe even deceives us, there's one thing that's going to stand secure, that's God's will.

God is in control; He's supreme. And if you unite yourself with the will of God, if you make it your purpose in life to do the will of God, then you are just as strong and just as permanent and just as secure as God's will. Circumstances will change, the world will change, but the will of God stands firm, enduring and unconquerable and you can be just like the will of God if you set your mind to do it.