

"Gods will is understood in terms of <u>BEING</u> vs. doing, going, or having."

BEING a new creation (2 Corinthians 5:17)
BEING born-again (John 3:3)
BEING filled with the Spirit (Ephesians 5:18)
BEING Christ-like (Romans 8:29)
BEING a blessing (Galatians 3:13-14)
BEING a witness (Acts 1:8)

BEING in health (3 John 2) BE-ATTITUDES (Matthew 5) BEING salt and light (Matthew 5:13-14)

1 Thessalonians 5:15-24 (NLT)

<u>IN</u> everything give thanks... (KJV) <u>BE</u> thankful in all circumstances... (NLT)

[Gods will is that the new life of Christ be seen and known regardless of my circumstances]

[Regardless of where I find myself – Christ is to be magnified and glorified in my life]

Psalm 100:1-5 (ref)

Vs. 4: "Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: BE THANKFUL unto him, and bless his name."

Philippians 2:12-18 (NLT)

- 1. God working IN ME regardless of the darkness around me.
- 2. Giving me the desire and power to please him.
 - Vs. 17 (NLT): "But I will rejoice even if I lose my life, pouring it out like a liquid offering to God, just like your faithful service is an offering to God. And I want all of you to share that joy."

Philippians 4:10-14 (NLT)

Vs. 11 "...I have learned to be content with whatever I have."

Vs. 12 "...I have learned the secret of living in every situation."

The good, the bad, and the ugly... <u>BEING</u> never changes.

- Ex. 1 Paul and Silas beaten and thrown into prison (Acts 16:22-34) (ref.)
- Ex. 2 John exiled to the Island of Patmos for preaching the word of God and for his testimony about Jesus.(Revelation 1:9) (ref)
- Ex. 3 Joseph (Genesis 50:20)"You intended to harm me, but God intended it all for good. He brought me to this position so I could save the lives of many people."

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Take Away

- What is God's will?
 "In Everything give thanks."
 "BE ye thankful."
- 2. Gods will is that the new life of Christ be seen and known regardless of my circumstances.
- 3. Regardless of where I find myself Christ is to be magnified and glorified in my life