# LIVING IN GOD'S WILL

#### THE WHOLE STORY

"Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out! Who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has been his counselor? Who has ever given to God, that God should repay them? For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be the glory forever! Amen." Romans 11:33-36

### **SOMETIMES IT'S EITHER / OR**

## Will you worship one God or many gods?

"Elijah went before the people and said, "How long will you waver between two opinions? If the LORD is God, follow him; but if Baal is God, follow him." But the people said nothing." 1 Kings 18:21

#### Will you serve God or money?

"No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money." Matthew 6:24

## Will you live by the Spirit or the flesh?

"So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you do not do what you want." Galatians 5:16-17

#### Will you choose Jesus, or his there another way?

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

John 14:6

### **SOMETIMES IT'S BOTH / AND**

### Is it more important to give grace or speak the truth?

"The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace **AND** truth." John 1:14

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## Should I make plans, or should I trust God?

"In their hearts humans plan their course, but the LORD establishes their steps." Proverbs 16:9

#### Is God sovereign or do we have free will?

"We are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." Ephesians 2:10

## Should our church focus on reaching new people for Christ or going deeper in our faith?

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey everything I've commanded you. And surely I am with you all the way to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:19-20

# Should we honor God or honor people?

"Honor one another above yourselves." Romans 12:10

## Is God always good, or does He allow us to suffer sometimes?

"...that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death..." Philippians 3:10

"Let this word be so near to you that it's in your mouth and does not depart. Don't go from the right to the left. Meditate on my word, that I may make you successful wherever you go." Joshua 1:7-9

Am I embracing the whole story?