

The Path Made Clear:
Discovering God's Will for Your Life
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There are Four Aspects of God's Will

- God's Sovereign Will
Isaiah 46:10
- God's Moral Will
I Thessalonians 4:3
- God's Permissive Will
I Corinthians 10:23
- God's Personal Will
Ephesians 2:10

For this reason, since we have heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you. We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of His will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives. Colossians 1:9

Now in the church at Antioch there were prophets and teachers: Barnabas, Simeon called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen (who had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch) and Saul. While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." So after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their hands on them and sent them off. The two of them, sent on their way by the Holy Spirit, went down to Seleucia and sailed from there to Cyprus. Acts 13:1-4

Keys to Discern & Discover the Will of God for our Lives:

1. Seek God

Teach me to do your will, for you are my God; may your good Spirit lead me on level ground. Psalm 143:10

The Trap: Over-spiritualizing the Will of God

2. Seek Counsel

*Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisers they succeed. Proverbs 15:22
Where there is no guidance, a people falls, but in an abundance of counselors there is safety. Proverbs 11:14*

The Trap: Over-Analyzing

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to Him, and He will make your paths straight. Proverbs 3:5-6

3. Seek the Peace of the Holy Spirit

He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet water, he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for His name's sake. Psalm 23:2-3

*Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts...*Colossians 3:15

The Trap: We Assume Difficult is Wrong

4. Discover His Will as You Go

Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path. Psalm 119:105

God's guidance that leads to your next step:

- Open Doors (1 Corinthians 16:8-9)
- Closed Doors (Acts 16:6)
- Change of Plans (1 Corinthians 16:5-7)
- Everyday Choices (Acts 15:36)

May He equip you with all you need for doing His will. May he produce in you, through the power of Jesus Christ, every good thing that is pleasing to Him. All glory to Him forever and ever! Amen. Hebrews 13:21 NLT