

Discerning God's Will for You pt.2
(Colossians 1:9)

I. INTRODUCTION

II. THEIR PRAYERS FOR THE COLOSSIANS (Col. 1:3-14)

- A. Their THANKSGIVING To God For These Believers. (Col. 1:3-8)
- B. Their PETITION to God for these believers (Col. 1:9-14)

What do the Scriptures teach about God's will?

- God has a _____ for you (Col. 1:9; Jn 7:17).
- God's will can be _____ by you (Rom. 12:2; Eph. 1:9; 5:17; Col. 1:9).
- God's will is _____, _____ and _____ (Rom. 12:2).
- God's will can only be known if we _____ God's will (Jn. 7:17; Prov. 3:5-6).
- God's will has a _____ (Matt. 6:10; Lk. 22:42; Gal. 1:4)

How can you determine the will of God for you?

- God's will is NOT determined...
 - ...by _____ (Matt 12:39; 2 Cor. 5:7; Heb. 11:1, 6)
 - ...by mysterious _____ (Job. 1:13; Col. 4:3; 2 Cor. 2:12-13)
 - ...by _____, _____, or _____ (2 Tim. 3:16-17; Deut. 13:1-4; Is. 8:20; Col. 2:18; 2 Thes. 2:9-12; 2 Pet. 1:16-21)
 - ... by our _____ (Prov. 16:2; 21:2; Jer. 10:23, 17:9)
 - ... by Bible-_____ (2 Tim. 2:15)
- God's will is revealed in His word, such as...
 - ...that you are _____ (1 Tim. 2:4-6; 2 Pet. 3:9).
 - ...that believers are _____ (Eph. 5:17-21; Col. 3:16).

- ... that you are _____ (2 Pet. 3:18).
 - ... that you are _____ (1 Thes. 4:1-8).
 - ...that you be _____ (1 Pet. 2:11-17).
 - ...that you are _____ for Christ's sake (1 Pet. 3:13-18).
 - ...that you are saying _____ to God (1 Thes. 5:18).
 - ...that you are _____ the Savior in all that you do (Eph. 6:5-9).
- How can we determine the will of God when it is not provided in Scripture?
- Always start with the _____ will of God.
 - Recognize any biblical _____ or _____ that apply.
 - Rely on the unfailing _____ of God (Prov 3:5-6; Ps. 32:8-9).
 - Recognize the immense value of _____ along with desiring to do HIS will. (Jam. 1:5-7; 4:1-10).
 - Realize that God leads specifically _____ (Ps. 37:23-24; Heb. 11:8-10).
 - Remember to factor in the _____ of God (Eph. 3:20; Jam 4:13-17; Is. 26:3)
 - Weigh out your decision with the _____ of God ruling in your heart. (Jam. 4:17; Col. 3:15)

Takeaway

- God has a _____ for you and He has made His will _____ but it Spiritually discerned when we walk by faith, _____ to do His will in our lives so that we may please Him.