

THE WILL OF GOD

Have you ever thought why the Bible takes such a negative view of fortune-telling, necromancy (trying to communicate with the dead), and other forms of prohibited practices? It is because there are some things that God has chosen to keep hidden from man. This is what theologians call the secret counsels of God. And this is what most Christians become so preoccupied with. What God's will is for our life He will not keep hidden from us. It is not some great secret. But if we spend our time searching for the will of God in His secret, hidden, or decreative will, then our quest will be in vain.

All Christians should be deeply concerned about the will of God. That is the perceptive will of God. In God's perceptive will, He reveals His will through the Scripture. For example, it is the will of God that we do no steal; that we love our enemies; that we repent; that we be holy. This is the will of God that should concern us. This will of God can only be discovered by knowing His word.

The mark of true maturity is seen in those seeking to know the will of God that is revealed in the Scriptures. The godly person meditates on God's law day and night. We are called to live our lives by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God. Therefore, it is the chief business of every Christian to be concerned about the revealed will of God. And the revealed will of God can only be known through the Scriptures.

Scripture: King James Version: Ephesians 1:11; Colossians 1:9-14; Hebrews 6:13-18; I Peter 2:15, II Peter 3:9; I Timothy 2:3-4; I Thessalonians 4:1-8.

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