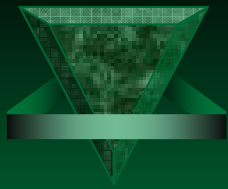




Living Within the WILL of God

*“...that good, and acceptable, and
perfect, will of God.” --Rom.12:2*



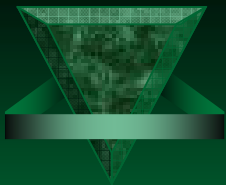
Facts You Should Know About God's WILL for You

✓ What IS God's "WILL"

θελημα, thelema = choice, purpose, decree, desire, pleasure, opinion, judgment, decision

✓ SIGNIFICANCE

- It pleases God when we YIELD to His will
 - See Solomon's choice, 1Kings 3:9
- Examples:
 - WWJD or "What Does God think?"
 - "By Whose Authority...?" Mt.21:25
 - "Do All In the Name of the Lord" Col.3:17



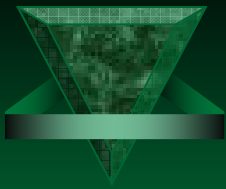
WHO's *really* Lord of Your Life?



- We must put ourselves unconditionally at His disposal
- We must turn over our rights, without question

“Speak, Lord, thy servant hears!” 1Sam.3:10

“Here I am, Lord, send me!” Isa 6:8



How Do I KNOW God's Will?

Three Things Will Always Agree Together:

1. God in the WORD

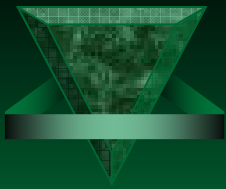
CAUTION with #2 and #3

My heart can be deceived! *Acts 23:1*

God's thoughts & ways not ours *Isa.55:8-9*

The way of man is NOT in himself

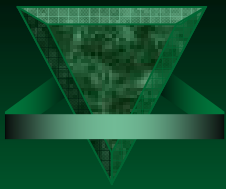
Jer.10:23



Encouraging Ourselves to Do God's Will

"...good, acceptable, perfect..." Rom.12:2

- ✓ That I be a grateful person:
 - *"in everything give thanks, for this is the will of God"*
1Thes.5:18
- ✓ That I be forgiven:
 - *"...that He might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God"*
Gal.1:4
- ✓ That I not just live to gratify every desire:
 - *"...that he no longer should live the rest of his time in the flesh to the lusts of men, but to the will of God"*
1Pet.4:2



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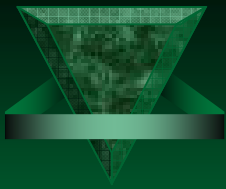
✓ That I be sexually pure:

– *"For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that you should abstain from fornication, that every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honor, not in the passion of lust..."*

1Thes.4:3

✓ That I behave better than evil people:

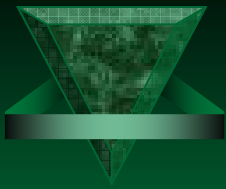
– *"For so is the will of God, that with well doing, you may put to silence... foolish men." 1Pet.2:15*



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- ✓ That I be raised from the dead:
 - *“And this is the will of Him Who sent me, that every one who sees the Son, and believes on Him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day.” --Jesus, Jn.6:40*
- ✓ I can be part of Jesus' family! *Mark 3:35*
- ✓ I will abide for ever! *1John 2:17*

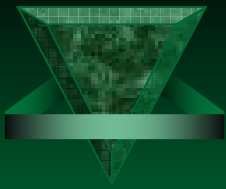


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- ☞ Aren't these the things I want, deep down inside, anyway?
- ☞ And, even if I DON'T want them (for the moment), is it not true that I still know that His ways would definitely be better?

So why not...

"Let Him has His way with Thee"...?



Let us hear the conclusion of
the whole matter:

*“...they gave themselves first to the Lord and
then to us in keeping with God's will.”*

--2Cor.8:5, NIV

YOU TOO!!

- TRUST the will of God
- SUBMIT to the will of God
- HUMBLE YOURSELF in the sight of the