

# The Will of The Father

The most important issue in a believers life is whether we're obeying אַיָּהּ (Yahuah) and doing the Will of the Father. It won't happen automatically, as it must be learned and put into practice in both our attitudes and actions. **Hebrews 5:8** shows us that even **וַיָּשָׂה** (Yahusha) "learned obedience from the things which He suffered." He always did His Father's will **John 6:38** For I came down from Shamyim (Heavens), not to do mine own will, but the Will of him that sent me. However, in His humanity, He learned from experience the costly impact of full obedience when He went to the stake (Pole).

The greatest enemy to obedience is partial obedience. If אַיָּהּ (Yahuah) gives instructions, He expects us to do exactly what He has said. Yet, some believers choose to obey only when it's convenient. Joining together with other believers, reading Scripture, and praying are all good, but if we're allowing things in our lives that don't fit our identity in Mashiach (Messiah), we're only partially obeying Him. אַיָּהּ (Yahuah) loves us unconditionally and has amazing plans for our lives if we follow Him wholeheartedly.

אַיָּהּ (Yahuah) has been teaching us about obedience since the garden of Eden. The importance of doing what אַיָּהּ (Yahuah) says is demonstrated in the story of Adam and Eve. He didn't talk to them about Amanah (faith) or humility, but only about obedience. He gave them permission to eat from all the trees in the garden—except one (1). When they failed the test, Sin and its consequences entered the world.

All of us have failed the same test because we naturally want our own way. אַיָּהּ (Yahuah) has given us so many Barachahs (blessings), but if He wants us to release one thing in our lives, we're quick to rationalize why we should keep it. Or sometimes we excuse our rebellion by claiming that situations, needs, and hurts are legitimate reasons for disobedience. But in doing so, we forget that אַיָּהּ (Yahuah) is engineering our circumstances and working them all out for our good. He's never promised that life would be free from pain and hardship, but He's committed to Barachah (blessing) those who obey Him.

**וַיָּשָׂה** (Yahusha) was the ultimate example of obedience. When He was talking to the Samaritan woman, He explained that, "My food is to do the Will of Him who sent Me and to accomplish His work" **John 4:34**. **וַיָּשָׂה** (Yahusha) was basically saying that obeying His Father brought Him fulfillment. It wasn't the approval of the crowds who came to hear Him speak, but the joy of pleasing the Father that satisfied His soul.

We're always happier when we obey, yet oftentimes we struggle, thinking we'll miss out on something good or experience hardship if we follow אַיָּהּ (Yahuah). However, if we'll obey His instructions, we'll experience His best and enjoy the satisfaction of pleasing Him.

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of אַיָּהּ (Yahuah), to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, Kadosh (Holy) and acceptable to אַיָּהּ (Yahuah), which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the Will of אַיָּהּ

(Yahuah), what is good and acceptable and perfect. **Romans 12:1-2**

The aim of **Romans 12:1-2** is that your bodies become a living sacrifice, Kadosh (Holy) and acceptable to אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah) which would be your “spiritual worship.” Verse 1: Worship means using our minds and hearts and bodies to express the worth of אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah). There is a way to live — a way to love — that does that. There is a way to live your life that expresses the true value of אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah).

Verse 2 is Paul’s answer to how we turn all of life into worship. We must be transformed. Not just our external behavior, but the way we feel and think — our minds. “Be transformed by the renewal of your mind.”

How easily these words “It’s the Will of אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah)” fall from the lips or flow from the pen. How difficult it is to understand exactly what it means. Few concepts in theology generate more confusion than the Will of אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah).

One (1) problem we face is rooted in the multifaceted way in which the term Will functions in Scriptural expressions. Scripture uses the expression “the Will of אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah)” in various ways. We encounter two (2) different Greek words in the Brit Hadashah (NT) boule and thelema, both of which are capable of several nuances. They encompass such ideas as the counsel of אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah), the plan of אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah), the decrees of אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah), the disposition or attitude of אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah), as well as other nuances.

“In some sense, אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah) Wills everything that happens.” The immediate question raised by this comment is, In what sense? How does אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah) “Will” the presence of evil and suffering? Is He the immediate cause of evil? Does He do evil? אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah) forbid. Yet evil is a part of His creation. If He is sovereign over the whole of His creation, we must face the conundrum: How is evil related to his divine Will?

Questions like this one make distinctions necessary—sometimes fine distinctions, even technical distinctions—with respect to the Will of אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah).

The English word “Will” was taken from the Hebrew words: Leb (labe) Strongs #:3820: inner man, mind, Will, heart, and Ratson (raw-tsone') Strongs #: 7522: goodwill, acceptance, favor, Will.

In the Brit Hadashah (NT) the English word “Will” was taken from the Greek word “Thelaymah” which means:

- 1) what one wishes or has determined shall be done
- 2) of the purpose of אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah) to Barach (Bless) mankind through Mashiach (Messiah)
- 3) of what אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah) wishes to be done by us
- 4) Commands, precepts
- 5) Will, choice, inclination, desire, pleasure

We can see, that based on the definition of Will, what is meant by “אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah)’s Will.” It is what אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah) wants us to be doing, which includes His Commandments and our obedience to them.

**The Will of אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah) is the Ten (10) Commandments, which teach us how to love Him and our neighbor.**

You shall therefore be careful to do the Commandment and the statutes and the rules that I Command you today. **Deuteronomy 7:11**

“And because you listen to these rules and keep and do them, אַיָּהוָה (Yahuah) your Aluah (God) will keep with you the Covenant and the steadfast love that he swore to your fathers. **Deuteronomy 7:12**

“And now, Yisrael, what does אַיָּהוָה (Yahuah) your Aluah (God) require of you, but to fear אַיָּהוָה (Yahuah) your Aluah (God), to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve אַיָּהוָה (Yahuah) your Aluah (God) with all your heart and with all your soul, and to keep the Commandments and Statutes of אַיָּהוָה (Yahuah), which I am Commanding you today for your good? **Deuteronomy 10:12-13**

You shall walk after אַיָּהוָה (Yahuah) your Aluah (God) and fear him and keep his Commandments and obey his voice, and you shall serve him and hold fast to him. **Deuteronomy 13:4**

The end of the matter; all has been heard. Fear אַיָּהוָה (Yahuah) and keep his Commandments, for this is the whole duty of man. **Ecclesiastes 12:13**

Only be very careful to observe the Commandment and the Torah (law) that Moshe (Moses) the servant of אַיָּהוָה (Yahuah) Commanded you, to love אַיָּהוָה (Yahuah) your Aluah (God), and to walk in all his ways and to keep his Commandments and to cling to him and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul.” **Joshua 22:5**

But if a wicked person turns away from all his Sins that he has committed and keeps all my statutes and does what is just and right, he shall surely live; he shall not die. **22** None of the transgressions that he has committed shall be remembered against him; for the righteousness that he has done he shall live. **23** Have I any pleasure in the death of the wicked, declares אַיָּהוָה (Yahuah) Aluah (God), and not rather that he should turn from his way and live? **24** But when a righteous person turns away from his righteousness and does unrighteousness (Sinfulness/Wicknedness) and does the same abominations that the wicked person does, shall he live? None of the righteous deeds that he has done shall be remembered; for the treachery of which he is guilty and the Sin he has committed, for them he shall die. **25** “Yet you say, ‘The way of אַיָּהוָה (Yahuah) is not just.’ Hear now, O house of Yisrael: Is my way not just? Is it not your ways that are not just? **26** When a righteous person turns away from his righteousness and does unrighteousness (Sinfulness/Wicknedness), he shall die for it; for the unrighteousness (Sinfulness/Wicknedness) that he has done he shall die. **27** Again, when a wicked person turns away from the wickedness he has committed and does what is just and right, he shall save his life. **28** Because he considered and turned away from all the transgressions that he had committed, he shall surely live; he shall not die. **Ezekiel 18:21-28**

Then those who feared אַיָּהוָה (Yahuah) spoke with one another. אַיָּהוָה (Yahuah) paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared אַיָּהוָה (Yahuah) and esteemed his name. **Malachi 3:16**

And he said to him, “Why do you ask me about what is good? There is only one who is good. If you would enter life, keep the Commandments.” **Matthew 19:17; Mark**

## 10:18; Luke 18:19

By this we know that we love the children of אַיָּאָל (Yahuah), when we love אַיָּאָל (Yahuah) and obey his Commandments. 3 For this is the love of אַיָּאָל (Yahuah), that we keep his Commandments: and his Commandments are not grievous. **1 John 5:2-3**

Then the dragon became furious with the woman and went off to make war on the rest of her offspring, on those who keep the Commandments of אַיָּאָל (Yahuah) and hold to the testimony of OUYָּאָל (Yahusha). **Revelation 12:17**

Here is a call for the endurance of the chosen Believers, those who keep the Commandments of אַיָּאָל (Yahuah) and their Amanah (Faith) in OUYָּאָל (Yahusha). **Revelation 14:12**

Baruch (Blessed) are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life and that they may enter the city by the gates. **Revelation 22:14**

### The Two (2) Wills of אַיָּאָל (Yahuah)

There are two (2) clear and very different meanings for the term “Will of אַיָּאָל (Yahuah)” in Scripture. We need to know them and decide which one is being used. In fact, knowing the difference between these two (2) meanings of “the Will of אַיָּאָל (Yahuah)” is crucial to understanding one of the biggest and most perplexing things in all of Scripture, namely, that אַיָּאָל (Yahuah) is sovereign over all things.

#### 1. אַיָּאָל (Yahuah)’s Sovereign Will

Let’s see the passages of Scripture that make us think this way. First (1<sup>st</sup>) consider passages that describe “the Will of אַיָּאָל (Yahuah)” as his sovereign control of all that comes to pass. One of the clearest is the way OUYָּאָל (Yahusha) spoke of the Will of אַיָּאָל (Yahuah) in Gethsemane when he was praying. He said, in **Matthew 26:39**, “My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, not as I Will, but as you Will.” What does the Will of אַיָּאָל (Yahuah) refer to in this verse? It refers to the sovereign plan of אַיָּאָל (Yahuah) that will happen in the coming hours. You recall how **Acts 4:27-28** says this: “Truly in this city there were gathered together against your Kadosh (Holy) servant OUYָּאָל (Yahusha), whom you anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, along with the Gentiles and the peoples of Yisrael, to do whatever your hand and your plan had predestined to take place.” So the “Will of אַיָּאָל (Yahuah)” was that OUYָּאָל (Yahusha) would be put to death to establish the Covenant. This was his plan, his decree. There was no changing it, and OUYָּאָל (Yahusha) bowed and said, “Here’s my request, but you do what is best.” That’s the sovereign Will of אַיָּאָל (Yahuah).

And don’t miss the very crucial point here that it includes the Sins of Man. Herod, Pilate, the soldiers, the Hebrew leaders — they all Sinned in fulfilling אַיָּאָל (Yahuah)’s Will that his Son be put to death (crucified) **Isaiah 53:10**.

In **1 Peter 3:17** Peter writes, “It is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be אַיָּאָל (Yahuah)’s Will, than for doing evil.” In other words, it may be אַיָּאָל (Yahuah)’s Will that Believers suffer (persecution) for doing his Will.

Paul gives a sweeping summary statement of this truth in **Ephesians 1:11**, “In him [OUYָּאָל (Yahusha)] we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined

according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his Will.” The Will of אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah) is אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah)’s sovereign governance of all that comes to pass. And there are many other passages in Scripture that teach that אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah)’s providence over the universe extends to the smallest details of nature and human decisions. Not one sparrow falls to the ground apart from our Father in Shamyim (Heavens) **Matthew 10:29**.

“The lot is cast into the lap, but its every decision is from אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah)” **Proverbs 16:33**.

“The plans of the heart belong to man, but the answer of the tongue is from אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah)” **Proverbs 16:1**.

“The king’s heart is a stream of water in the hand of אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah); he turns it wherever he Will” **Proverbs 21:1**.

That’s the first (1<sup>st</sup>) meaning of the Will of אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah): It is אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah)’s sovereign control of all things. We call this his “Sovereign Will.” It cannot be broken. It always comes to pass. “He does according to his Will among the host of Shamyim (Heavens) and among the inhabitants of the earth; and none can stay his hand or say to him, ‘What have you done?’” **Daniel 4:35**

## **2. אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah)’s Will of Command**

Now the other meaning for “the Will of אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah)” in Scripture is what we can call his “Will of Command.” His Will is what he Commands us to do. This is the Will of אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah), which we can disobey and fail to do. The Sovereign Will we do whether we believe in it or not. The Will of Command we can fail to do. For example, **OWYAH** (Yahusha) said, “Not everyone who says to me, ‘Adon (Master), Adon (Master),’ will enter the kingdom of Shamyim (Heavens), but the one who does the Will of my Father who is in Shamyim (Heavens)” **Matthew 7:21**. Not all do the Will of his Father. He said: “Not everyone will enter the kingdom of Shamyim (Heavens).” Why? Because not all do the Will of אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah).

Paul says in **1 Thessalonians 4:3**, “This is the Will of אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah), your sanctification: that you abstain from sexual immorality.” Here we have a very specific instance of what אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah) Commands of us: Kadoshness (Holiness), sanctification, sexual purity. This is his Will of Command. But, many do not obey.

Then Paul says in **1 Thessalonians 5:18**, “Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the Will of אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah) in **OWYAH** (Yahusha) HaMashiach for you.” There again is a specific aspect of his Will of Command: Give thanks in all circumstances. But many do not follow this Will of אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah).

Another example: “And the world is passing away along with its desires, but whoever does the Will of אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah) abides forever” **1 John 2:17**. Few do the Will of אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah), but Many don’t. For many are called but few are chosen. **Matthew 22:14**

From these and many other passages of Scripture we can conclude that there are two (2) ways of talking about the Will of אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah). Both are true, and both are important to understand and believe in. One we can call אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah)’s Sovereign Will and the other we can call אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah)’s Will of Command. His sovereign will

always comes to pass whether we believe in it or not. His Will of Command can be broken, and is every day.

Before I relate this to **Romans 12:2** let me comment on how precious these two (2) truths are. Both correspond to a deep need that we all have when we are deeply hurt or experience great loss. On the one hand, we need the assurance that **יְהוָה** (Yahuah) is in control and therefore is able to work all of my pain and loss together for my good and the good of all who love him. On the other hand, we need to know that **יְהוָה** (Yahuah) empathizes with us and does not delight in Sin or pain in and of themselves. These two (2) needs correspond to **יְהוָה** (Yahuah)'s Sovereign Will and his Will of Command.

For example, if you were badly abused as a child, and someone asks you, “Do you think that was the Will of **יְהוָה** (Yahuah)?” You now have a way to make some Scriptural sense out of this, and give an answer that doesn’t contradict Scripture. You may say, “No it was not **יְהוָה** (Yahuah)'s Will; because he Commands humans to not be abusive, but love each other. The abuse broke his Commandment and therefore moved his heart with anger and grief **Mark 3:5**.”

And corresponding to these two (2) Wills are the two (2) things you need in this situation: one (1) is a Alahym (God) who is strong and sovereign enough to turn it for good; and the other is a Alahym (God) who is able to empathize with you. On the one hand, **וַיְהוָה** (Yahusha) is a sovereign High King, and nothing happens apart from his Will **Matthew 28:18**. On the other hand, **וַיְהוָה** (Yahusha) is a merciful High Priest and sympathizes with our weaknesses and pain **Hebrews 4:15**. The Ruach HaKodesh conquers us and our Sins when he Wills (**John 1:13; Romans 9:15–16**). **יְהוָה** (Yahuah)'s Sovereign Will is invincible, and his Will of Command can be grievously broken.

We need both these truths — both these understandings of the Will of **יְהוָה** (Yahuah) — not only to make sense out of Scripture, but to hold fast to **יְהוָה** (Yahuah) in suffering.

Now, which of these is meant in **Romans 12:2**, “Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the Will of **יְהוָה** (Yahuah), what is good and acceptable and perfect.” The answer surely is that Paul is referring to **יְהוָה** (Yahuah)'s Will of Command. I say this for at least two (2) reasons. One (1) is that **יְהוָה** (Yahuah) does not intend for us to know most of his Sovereign Will ahead of time. “The secret things belong to **יְהוָה** (Yahuah) our Aluah (God), but the things that are revealed belong to us” **Deuteronomy 29:29**.

The other reason I say that the Will of **יְהוָה** (Yahuah) as written in **Romans 12:2** is **יְהוָה** (Yahuah)'s Will of Command and not his Sovereign Will is because the phrase “by testing you may discern” implies that we should approve of the Will of **יְהוָה** (Yahuah) and then obediently do it. But in fact we should not approve of Sin or do it. Paul’s meaning in **Romans 12:2** is paraphrased almost exactly in **Hebrews 5:14**, which says, “Solid food is for the mature, for those who have their powers of discernment trained by constant practice to distinguish good from evil.”

**Three (3) Stages of Knowing and Doing the Revealed Will of **יְהוָה** (Yahuah)**

There are three (3) stages of knowing and doing the revealed Will of אַיָּאָל (Yahuah), that is, his Will of Command; all require the renewed mind with its Ruach-given discernment.

### **Stage One (1)**

First (1st), אַיָּאָל (Yahuah)'s Will of Command is revealed with final, decisive authority only in Scripture. And we need the renewed mind to understand and embrace what אַיָּאָל (Yahuah) Commands in the Scripture. Without the renewed mind, we will distort the Scriptures to avoid their Commands for self-denial, love, purity, and supreme satisfaction in **OWYָּאָל** (Yahusha) alone. אַיָּאָל (Yahuah)'s authoritative Will of Command is found only in Scripture. Paul says that the Scriptures are inspired and make the Believers "competent, equipped for every good work" **2 Timothy 3:16–17**. Not just some good works. "Every good work." Much energy, time and devotion Believers should spend meditating on the written word of אַיָּאָל (Yahuah).

### **Stage Two (2)**

The second (2<sup>nd</sup>) stage of אַיָּאָל (Yahuah)'s Will of Command is our application of the Scriptural truth to new situations that may or may not be explicitly addressed in Scripture. What is necessary is that we have a renewed mind, that is shaped and governed by the revealed Will of אַיָּאָל (Yahuah) in Scripture, that we see and assess all relevant factors with the mind of Mashiach (Messiah), and discern what אַיָּאָל (Yahuah) is calling us to do.

אַיָּאָל (Yahuah)'s aim is a new mind, a new way of thinking and judging, not just new information. His aim is that we be transformed, sanctified, freed by the truth of his revealed word **John 8:32; 17:17**. So the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) stage of אַיָּאָל (Yahuah)'s Will of Command is the discerning application of the Scriptures to new situations in life by means of a renewed mind.

### **Stage Three (3)**

The third (3<sup>rd</sup>) stage of אַיָּאָל (Yahuah)'s Will of Command is living where there is no conscious reflection before we act. I venture to say that most of your thoughts, attitudes, and actions are spontaneous. They are just spillover from what's inside. **OWYָּאָל** (Yahusha) said, "Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks. The good person out of his good treasure brings forth good, and the evil person out of his evil treasure brings forth evil. I tell you, on the day of judgment people will give account for every careless word they speak" **Matthew 12:34–36**.

Why do I call this part of אַיָּאָל (Yahuah)'s Will of Command? For one (1) reason. Because אַיָּאָל (Yahuah) Commands things like: Don't be angry. Don't be prideful. Don't covet. Don't be anxious. Don't be jealous. Don't envy. And none of those actions are premeditated. Anger, pride, covetousness, anxiety, jealousy, envy — they all just rise up out of the heart with no conscious reflection or intention. And we are guilty because of them. They break the Commandment of אַיָּאָל (Yahuah).

Therefore, Be transformed by the renewing of your mind. We need new hearts and new minds. Make the tree good and the fruit will be good **Matthew 12:33**. That's the great challenge. That is what אַיָּאָל (Yahuah) calls you to. You can't do it on your own. You need **OWYָּאָל** (Yahusha), who died for your Sins. And you need the Ruach

HaKodesh to lead you into **OWYAZL** (Yahusha) exalting truth and to work in you truth-embracing humility.

Give yourself to this. Immerse yourself in the written word of **AYAZL** (Yahuah); saturate your mind with it. And pray that the Ruach (Spirit) would make you so new that the spillover would be good, acceptable, and perfect — the Will of **AYAZL** (Yahuah).

that **AYAZL** (Yahuah) your Aluah (God) may tell us the way in which we should walk and the thing that we should do." **Jeremiah 42:3**

**1 John 5:14** This is the confidence which we have before Him, that, if we ask anything according to His Will, He hears us.

For this is the Will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day." **John 6:40**

For this reason also, since the day we heard of it, we have not ceased to pray for you and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His Will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, **Colossians 1:9**

"Pray, then, in this way: 'Our Father who is in Shamyim (Heavens), Set Apart be Your name. 'Your kingdom come Your Will be done, On earth as it is in Shamyim (Heavens). 'Give us this day our daily bread. **Matthew 6:9-13**

"We know that **AYAZL** (Yahuah) does not hear Sinners; but if anyone is **AYAZL** (Yahuah)-fearing and does His Will, He hears him. **John 9:31**

and He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Ruach (Spirit) is, because He intercedes for the chosen believers according to the Will of **AYAZL** (Yahuah). **Romans 8:27**

That the Aluah (God) of our Adon (Master) **OWYAZL** (Yahusha) HaMashiach, the Father of glory, may give to you a Ruach (Spirit) of Wisdom and of Revelation in the knowledge of Him. 18. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you will know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the chosen believers. **Ephesians 1:17-18**

Teach me to do Your Will, For You are my Aluah (God); Let Your good Ruach (Spirit) lead me on level ground. **Psalms 143:10**

"Then I said, 'behold, I have come to do your Will, O **AYAZL** (Yahuah).'" **Hebrews 10:7**

**Eight (8) vital keys to knowing AYAZL (Yahuah)'s Will:**

### **1) Walk with AYAZL (Yahuah)**

For starters, if you are interested in knowing **AYAZL** (Yahuah)'s plan for your life, then you must learn to walk with **AYAZL** (Yahuah). You need to develop a relationship with Him. And so you must cultivate your relationship with **AYAZL** (Yahuah). You must seek to know Him and not just seek to know about Him. You will cultivate that relationship best by spending time in His Word and spending time in prayer. When you seek these disciplines in your life, **AYAZL** (Yahuah) will begin the first (1st) steps to revealing His plan to you.

**Proverbs 3:5-6** Trust in **AYAZL** (Yahuah) with all your heart, and lean not on your



own understanding; 6 In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths.

## **2) Surrender Your Will to יְהוָה (Yahuah)'s.**

Many times when we say we are seeking יְהוָה (Yahuah)'s Will, what we are really wanting to say to יְהוָה (Yahuah) is this: "OK, here's what I'm planning to do. Now I need you to rubber stamp this, all right?" I must tell you that this is not really effective in finding His true Will.

Before יְהוָה (Yahuah) will begin to reveal His Will to you, you must be committed to doing whatever it is that He desires for you to do. יְהוָה (Yahuah) will likely be slow to show you His plan if He knows you will likely not do that plan anyway. **וַיָּשָׂא** (Yahusha) was willing to die for us, so shouldn't we be willing to live for Him? When we surrender to Him, that is when He really begins to direct our steps.

## **3) Obey יְהוָה (Yahuah)'s Will.**

Many people seem to want to know what יְהוָה (Yahuah)'s plan is for their lives, but they overlook the fact that 98% of His Will is already describe precisely through His Word. יְהוָה (Yahuah) is very clear about many, many aspects of His Will. For instance, it is clearly His plan that we abstain from sexual immorality **1 Thessalonians 4:3.**

If we do not obey the things that יְהוָה (Yahuah) has shown us clearly to be His Will, why would we think He would reveal any further information regarding His plan for our lives? Obedience is an important first (1st) step.

## **4) Seek Righteous input**

One key component to finding יְהוָה (Yahuah)'s will is to seek the input of righteous advisors in your life. If you don't currently have righteous mentors, then I would highly recommend that you seek them out right away.

"For the eyes of יְהוָה (Yahuah) are towards the Righteous, and his ears attend to their Prayer, but the face of יְהוָה (Yahuah) is against those who do Evil." **1 Peter 3:12**

Think of it this way: you should understand that you are basically a composite of the people you spend the most time with. So, then, it is vital that you choose those people carefully. If you choose to surround yourself with ritheous advisors, they will be instrumental in helping you discern יְהוָה (Yahuah)'s plan for your life. But if you surround yourself with people who are far from יְהוָה (Yahuah), your hope of finding His best for your life will be greatly diminished.

**Proverbs 11:14** Where there is no counsel, the people fall; but in the multitude of counselors there is safety.

## **5) Pay attention to how יְהוָה (Yahuah) has created you**

יְהוָה (Yahuah) has created you to fulfill a specific role in this world. There is no one else who can achieve completely what יְהוָה (Yahuah) has purposely created you to do.

**1 Peter 4:10** As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of יְהוָה (Yahuah).

יְהוָה (Yahuah) has gifted every one of us to perform a special mission for which we alone were created. How amazing is that? So, when you seek to discover יְהוָה (Yahuah)'s Will for your life, pay attention to how He has gifted you. His plan for you will always be directly related to the gifts that He has bestowed upon you. The great news is that you will automatically be good at whatever it is that He has called you to do!

## **6) Listen to יְהוָה (Yahuah)'s Ruach (Spirit)**

I experienced a major turning point in my own prayer life when I learned simply to shut up while I was praying. That may sound odd to you, and it seemed odd to me at first. You see, I used to do all the talking when I prayed to יְהוָה (Yahuah). Take time to listen to what יְהוָה (Yahuah) might have to say.

Bring a notepad with you when you pray. Then write at the top of several pages things like this:

- “What is the next step in my career?”
- “What is the next step in my ministry?”
- “What is the next step for my family?”
- “What is the next step for my marriage?”
- “What is the next step in my education?”
- “What is the next step in my finances?”

During your prayer time, meditate on questions such as the above. Often, יְהוָה (Yahuah) will start flooding your heart with ideas and information regarding one or more of those questions. Write as fast as I can as He speaks to your heart. What a glorious experience it is to sense His Ruach (Spirit) speaking, guiding your thoughts and words.

Through experiences like this, He will show you with great clarity what His Will is for your life. I long for those experiences when He speaks to me like that. Those times are truly life changing.

**John 10:27** My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me.

## **7) Listen to your heart.**

**Psalms 37:4-5** Delight yourself also in יְהוָה (Yahuah), and He shall give you the desires of your heart. 5 Commit your way to יְהוָה (Yahuah), trust also in Him, and He shall bring it to pass.

## **8) Take a look at your circumstances.**

יְהוָה (Yahuah) often clearly demonstrates His plan for our lives by lining up circumstances in obvious ways. And He also shows us what His Will is NOT for us to do in that same way. It is not His Will for you to take the job that is not offered to you.

Over the years, I have discovered that יְהוָה (Yahuah) is pretty good at opening and closing doors. He even did that for the Apostle Paul and his enterouge in Acts.

**Acts 16:6-10** Now when they had gone through Phrygia and the region of Galatia,

they were forbidden by the Ruach HaKodesh to preach the word in Asia. 7 After they had come to Mysia, they tried to go into Bithynia, but the Ruach (Spirit) did not permit them. 8 So passing by Mysia, they came down to Troas. 9 And a vision appeared to Paul in the night. A man of Macedonia stood and pleaded with him, saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." 10 Now after he had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go to Macedonia, concluding that אַיָּאָל (Yahuah) had called us to preach the message of the Mashiach (Messiah) to them.

So, even Paul had to face closed doors in his ministry. אַיָּאָל (Yahuah) often uses closed doors to show us clearly what He does NOT want us to do. And He also uses open doors at times to show us what He DOES want us to do. Of course, this does not mean that every open door is definitely אַיָּאָל (Yahuah)'s plan, but it does help to give you some basic direction.

Being in the Will of אַיָּאָל (Yahuah) requires us to take up our Stake (Poles) and follow OUYָּאָל (Yahusha) (**Luke 9:23**) by listening to His voice and obeying His Commandments. Listening to אַיָּאָל (Yahuah) means that we need to read Scripture and be more than hearers of His word, but to be doers (**Romans 2:13, James 1:22**). Listening to אַיָּאָל (Yahuah) will also assist us in maintaining our position in אַיָּאָל (Yahuah)'s Will. How will we know if we have taken a wrong step if we stop listening to אַיָּאָל (Yahuah)? We also need to be in constant prayer and constant meditation on what אַיָּאָל (Yahuah) wants and requires of us. **Matthew 7:24** is where OUYָּאָל (Yahusha) sums up the Will of אַיָּאָל (Yahuah). Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. **Matthew 7:24**

Now may the Aluah (God) of Shalum (Peace) who brought again from the dead our Adon (Master) OUYָּאָל (Yahusha), the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, 21 equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through OUYָּאָל (Yahusha) HaMashiach, to whom be esteem (glory) forever and ever. Aman. **Hebrews 13:20-21**

Trust in אַיָּאָל (Yahuah) with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. 6 in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths. **Proverbs 3:5-6**

For this is the Will of אַיָּאָל (Yahuah), that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people. **1 Peter 2:15**

Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, 16 making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. 17 Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Will of אַיָּאָל (Yahuah) is. 18 And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Ruach (Spirit), 19 addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to אַיָּאָל (Yahuah) with your heart, 20 giving thanks always and for everything to אַיָּאָל (Yahuah) the Father in the name of our Adon (Master) OUYָּאָל (Yahusha) HaMashiach, **Ephesians 5:15-20**

He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does אַיָּאָל (Yahuah) require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your Aluah (God).

**Micah 6:8**

For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the Will of אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah) you may receive what is promised. **Hebrews 10:36**

I believe these scriptures speak for אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah) concerning his Will for mankind. Remember you are אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah)'s Kingdom! Baruch HaShem אֱלֹהִים (Yahuah)! (Blessed is the name of Yahuah!) HalluYAH!!!