

How to find God's will?

First anyone wishing to know God's will should not have preconceived ideas of what God's will might be. Our biased ideas can make us miss God's will for our lives. You should approach God with such an attitude that even if God's will is completely opposite to your desire, you are willing to obey it. If you don't have an intention to obey God's will whatever it may be, don't seek for His will. Come to Him with the right attitude - Lord not my will, but thine will alone be done.

This will help in avoiding many confusions and misinterpreting God's will.

Once the attitude is right, with a sincere heart pray to God to make clear His will to you.

It is GOD's will that you know His will. He wants you to know His will and do it.

Philippians 4

⁶ Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.

⁷ And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

Once you have made the request, the Lord will make it clear to you through the circumstances AND you may have an increasing/decreasing inner peace on that particular matter. If time permits, wait for a week or month and see if the inner peace is increasing. Also the Lord's guidance will never be contradictory to what He has clearly made known through His written word, the BIBLE.

There can be 3 possible responses : YES, NO, WAIT.

If it's a WAIT, do not over run before the Lord and take the matter in your hands. This will cause future regret. God knows BEST and His timings are perfect. BELIEVE this.

Philippians 2

¹³ For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.

There is always a tendency for us to be biased and to wish that God's will be alligned to our will. So always make sure that you approach the LORD to know and do His will, and not your own. Then it is the Lord who will guide you to know His will and He will give you the strength and grace to accomplish HIS will through you.

Acts 16

⁶ *Now when they had gone throughout Phrygia and the region of Galatia, and **were forbidden of the Holy Ghost** to preach the word in Asia,*

⁷ *After they were come to Mysia, they assayed to go into Bithynia: but **the Spirit suffered them not.***

⁸ *And they passing by Mysia came down to Troas.*

⁹ *And a vision appeared to Paul in the night; There stood a man of Macedonia, and prayed him, saying, Come over into Macedonia, and help us.*

¹⁰ *And after he had seen the vision, immediately we endeavoured to go into Macedonia, **assuredly gathering** that the Lord had called us for to preach the gospel unto them.*

Sometimes there may be a waiting period in which His will is not clear. If time permits, wait till His will be clear to you and then take the step. Another option can be to pray sincerely to God that **you want only His perfect will for you and then as you take a step, ask Him to close the doors which is not as per His desire. He will reveal His will through closed doors as well. In the right time, He will direct you to the door through which you have to go and you will see that all things work together for good for those who love God and who are called according to His purpose.**

If the Holy Spirit forbids you from pursuing a particular course, take heed to that opposition. Wait for a week or month and see if you have increasing peace about the matter. If no increasing peace, but rather a prohibition, don't go that way for the time being. It may either not be God's will for you OR may be not the right time to pursue that path.

We are His co-worker, not the boss. JESUS is the Lord. So let's be sure that we don't dictate, but allow Him to guide our steps and let's follow Him.