

Discovering God's Will For Your Life
God, Just Tell Me – Part 1
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God's will is relational.
God's will for you is a quality love relationship with Him.
Knowing God's will starts with knowing God's heart.

Four Different Aspects of God's Will
God's Sovereign Will
God's Moral Will
God's Permissive Will
God's Personal Will

1. God's Sovereign Will

**This is God's unstoppable, unchangeable plan
that directs everything toward His purpose.**

Isaiah 46:10 (NLT) *"Only I can tell you the future before it even happens. Everything I plan will come to pass, for I do whatever I wish."*

Proverbs 19:21 (NIV) *"Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails."*

2. God's Moral Will

This is God's timeless truth revealed in His Word for how we live.

Hebrews 4:12-13 (NIV) *"For the Word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. ¹³ Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of Him to whom we must give account."*

1 Thessalonians 4:3 (NLT) *"God's will is for you to be holy, so stay away from all sexual sin."*

1 Thessalonians 4:3 (NIV) *"It is God's will that you should be sanctified: that you should avoid sexual immorality;"*

hagios: set apart, different, sacred, dedicated to God

You cannot walk in God's will if you're disobeying God's Word.

1 Corinthians 13:4-8a (NIV) *"Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵ It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. ⁶ Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. ⁷ It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. ⁸ Love never fails."*

3. God's Permissive Will

This is the freedom that God gives us to make choices even when they're not perfect.

1 Corinthians 10:23 (NLT) *"You say, 'I am allowed to do anything'—but not everything is good for you. You say, 'I am allowed to do anything'—but not everything is beneficial."*

1 Corinthians 10:23 (NIV) *"I have the right to do anything," you say—but not everything is beneficial. "I have the right to do anything"—but not everything is constructive."*

Genesis 37:26-28 (NIV) *"Judah said to his brothers, 'What will we gain if we kill our brother and cover up his blood?' ²⁷ Come, let's sell him to the Ishmaelites and not lay our hands on him; after all, he is our brother, our own flesh and blood.' His brothers agreed. ²⁸ So when the Midianite merchants came by, his brothers pulled Joseph up out of the cistern and sold him for twenty shekels of silver to the Ishmaelites, who took him to Egypt."*

Genesis 50:19-20 (NIV) *"But Joseph said to them, 'Don't be afraid. Am I in the place of God? ²⁰ You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives.'"*

4. God's Personal Will

This is God's unique and specific calling just for you.

You weren't just saved from; you were saved for.

Ephesians 2:10 (NIV) *"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."*

Psalms 32:8 (NIV) *"I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with My loving eye on you."*

**We tend to overcomplicate God's will,
and we tend to underestimate His goodness.**

**The more you get to know God's heart,
the better you will be able to understand His will.**

**We trust God's Sovereign Will.
We obey God's Moral Will.
We accept God's Permissive Will.
We walk in God's Personal Will.**