



Knowing God's Will Part II

Romans 12:1-2

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REVIEW: FOUR KEYS TO GOD'S WILL

1. God's plans are worth finding out.
2. Discovering His will is not an exact science, it requires practice.
3. God has more time, resources and ideas than we can imagine.
4. Discovering God's will is a process.

Review: FOUR NON-NEGOTIABLES OF GOD'S WILL

1. God's plans for your life cannot contradict His Word or require you to sin.
2. God's plans for your life will require obedience to God through faith. *Romans 1:17*
3. God's plans are always part of His molding and shaping of your life. *Ephesians 2:10*
4. God's plans always promote His righteousness.

FOUNDATIONAL TRUTH – Instead of seeking the will of God, seek God Himself and His will becomes plain to you.

FOUR CHARACTERISTICS OF HIS WILL

1. **His will is good** - God's will is good, beneficial, and the best thing for us.
2. **His will is acceptable** - God's will is the most acceptable plan for your life and there is nothing about it that is unacceptable to God
3. **His will is perfect** - God's will is completely sufficient for the perfection of man.
4. **You can prove His will** - You will be able to verify, acknowledge and confirm God's will.

CONFORMATION OR TRANSFORMATION

YOU MAKE THE CHOICE

CONFORMATION – Our work of shaping ourselves from the outside in by fitting into the mold of the world.

- Stop trying to look like the world, be accepted by the world and act like the world.

TRANSFORMATION – *metamorphoo* - **God's work** of changing us from the inside out by the Supernatural work of the Holy Sprit. *John 14:15-18*

RENEWED MIND – A change of mind, a reverse of one's mind, thoughts and actions. *Proverbs 23:7 As a man thinks in his heart so is he.*

TWO THINGS WE MUST TO DO.

1. Provide yourself as a Holy and acceptable sacrifice to God.

- Set aside for divine service. Moral and ethical wholeness or perfection; freedom from moral evil. *1 Peter 1:16-17 "Be holy, for I am holy."*
- Without blemish or illness, without a handicap, without association with the world. *Num 19:2-3, Lev 22:21-25.*
- Give God the very best you have to offer in quality, effort and dedication.

2. Present your bodies as a living sacrifice. *Rom 6:13 and 1 Cor 9:24-27*

- As a burnt sacrifice is consumed by holy fire unto death, so you and I should be consumed by the Holy Spirit unto abundant life.
- When one of your members commits a sin, your heart should grieve. Your members must be slaves unto righteousness.
- **Eyes** – Keep your eyes pure. *Job 31:1*
- **Hands** - Lift holy hands to the Lord. *1 Tim 2:8*
- **Legs** – Do not run after desires of the flesh. *Heb 12:1*
- **Mind** - Think on spiritual things. *Phil 4:6-8*
- **Mouth** - Say only things that are edifying. *Eph 4:29*
- **Heart**- Let God take out the heart of stone and replace it with a heart of flesh. *Ezek 11:19*