

JANUARY 18

“THE WILL OF GOD CAN SOMETIMES BE AN UNCOMFORTABLE PLACE.”

READ

1 Peter 2:18-25

We've all asked for God's will in our life, but what is God's will? It boils down to what God wants for me; what He wants me to be. I have to follow and trust Him wherever I go. Jesus prayed that we would be filled with the knowledge of God's will, so we could walk worthy, living in a way that pleases God. Then we can be fruitful and productive. We will be soul winners. Jesus desired for us to know more about God so that we would have access to His glorious power, patience, long-suffering and joy. You are not out of the will of God if your life is all to pieces. Often when you're in God's will, you're being tested, tried, and even crucified until the only thing left in you is Jesus. All who did great things for God in the Bible had to go through deep, dark, horrible trials, but they were not out of God's will. They were smack dab in the middle of it. God upholds those that trust Him. As God is teaching you His will, He has not abandoned you. When everything you've got is gone, you can still have that deep joy unspeakable inside, and can give thanks. That's God's will for your life.

PRAY

Lord, “Not my will, but Yours be done.” When this life seems uncomfortable, remind me that these afflictions are working a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory. For that, I thank You.

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