

Living In the Will of God

The Study

"But He's already made it plain how to live, what to do, what God is looking for in men and women. It's quite simple..."

Micah 6:8 (msg)

Don't you just love the pastoral overtones of Eugene Peterson and his paraphrase of scripture? Here he has taken the heart of the prophet's words and put them into a language that speaks plainly and pastorally to one of the greatest desires and questions of Christ's followers – *What is God's will for me?*

Respond to the following statements:

1. Doing the will of God is aligning ourselves with God relationally (**Mark 3:35**).

2. Living in the will of God has benefits that we cannot quantify (**Romans 8:27**).

3. Being in the will of God requires specific attention to our lifestyle and behaviors (**1 Thessalonians 4:3-8**).

- a. What are the benefits that Paul highlights in his letter to young Timothy (**2 Timothy 3:16**)?

4. Sacrifice and surrender are first steps to being in the will of the Father (**Romans 12:1-2**).

5. A worshipful heart is a demonstration of the will of God (**1 Thessalonians 5:16-18**).

6. Remember Who is in you and Who is actually doing the work (**Philippians 1:6; 2:13**).

7. So, what are the three things that the prophet Micah says God requires of His people (**Micah 6:8**)?