

## The Will of God

The Arabic word “**Insyah Allah**” – God willing is spoken a million times every day by all Arabs and most Indonesians. It can mean “the Lord willing”, “I hope so”, “perhaps”, “We’ll see”, “wait and see”, “Who knows” etc.

We all realize that God is all-powerful and that He has a plan. What really matters to a believer is the will of God. Every day we have to make decisions and we are all keen to know the will of God in all these decisions. A lot of people don’t realize that God wants to guide us in even the small decisions. A lot of people think that God main interest is to get us to heaven but leave us sweat it out here on earth.

Yet the Bible teaches us that even our hairs are numbered. Even one hair is related to the will of God. God is also concerned about feeding the birds of the air and clothing the lilies and the grass of the field. How much more important and valuable are we to our heavenly Father than the birds, the flowers and the grass!

King David said in Psalm 40:8 “I desire to your will, O my God”. And again in Psalm 143:10 “Teach me to do your will”. Even though he was king and made all the important decisions in his kingdom, David realized that there was a greater and higher power making the decisions.

### **1. We need to pray about knowing and doing God’s will.**

The Lord Jesus taught His disciples to pray that God’s will be done on earth as it is in heaven. The Lord Jesus told His disciples that He had come to do the Will of His Father. Lord what is your will? How do we know God’s will? We pray. “Ask and you shall receive”, “knock and the door will be opened”, “seek and you shall find”. Lord show me your will today! Take time to pray.

We need wisdom in knowing God’s will for big and small decisions. “If any of you lacks wisdom he should ask God who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him. But when he asks he must believe and not doubt because he who doubts is like the wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind. That man should not think he will receive anything from the Lord.” James 1:5-7.

We pray before we leave our house.

We pray before meeting with people, or starting negotiations and discussions.

We can excuse ourselves for a few minutes and pray for wisdom.

**God says, “You have not because you ask not”**

### **2. We need to do the Will of God.**

There is a big difference between knowing and doing the will of God. The Lord says in Mat. 7:23 “That only he does the will of my Father will enter the Kingdom of heaven.” We may know the will of God and even believe in the will of God. God says, “Faith without works is dead”.

### **3. What is the will of God?**

There are many explanations and information about the will of God. In 1 Thessalonians 5: 18 “for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus”

Warn those who are idle v. 14

Encourage the timid v. 14

Help the weak v. 14

Be patient with every one v. 14

Do not pay back wrong for wrong v.15

Always try to be kind to each other and to every one v. 15

Be joyful always v. 16

Pray continually v. 17

Give thanks in all circumstances v.18

Do not put out the Spirit’s fire v. 19

Do not treat prophecies with contempt v. 20

Test everything v. 21

Hold on to the good v. 21

Avoid every kind of evil v. 21

1 Thes. 4:3 “It is God’s will that you should be sanctified”

### **4. God will do it for you!**

**This is the most amazing teaching in the New Testament!**

“May God Himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole Spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. The One who calls is faithful and He will do it” 1 Thes. 5:24

Phil. 2:13: “For it is God who works in you to will and to act according to His good Purpose”.

Galatians 2:20 “I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.”

No credit to you and I. All the credit and glory goes to Jesus Christ. He is our God,

He is our Savior!

He is the way!

He is the truth!

He is the life! He is our life!

We can only say THANK YOU. THANK YOU AND THANK YOU.

THANK YOU GOD FOR SENDING JESUS

THANK YOU JESUS THAT YOU CAME

TEACH US BLESSED HOLY SPIRIT

MORE ABOUT HIS HOLY NAME!