"GOD'S WILL IS GOOD; DON'T RUN FROM IT"

(Topical Message)

INTRODUCTION: God's will for you is:

SALVATION (I Tim. 2:4; II Pet. 3:9) (God wants you to be saved) 1. SPIRIT-FULLNESS (Eph. 5:17-18) (God wants you to be Spirit-filled) 2. SERVICE (Eph. 6:6; Heb. 13:20-21) (God wants you to serve Him sincerely) 3. **SACRIFICE** (II Cor. 8:5; Rom. 12:1-2) (God wants you to surrender your life to Him) SANCTIFICATION (I Thess. 4:3-8) (God wants you to be sexually pure) **SUPPLICATION** (I Thess. 5:16-18) (God wants you to seek Him daily) SUBMISSION (I Pet. 2:13-15) (God wants you to submit to authority) 7. SUFFERING (I Pet. 4:12-19; cp. 3:17) (God wants you to be willing to suffer for His sake)

God is concerned about the significant details of your life - Luke 12:6-7

 God has a specific plan & purpose for you to fulfil Examples: Jeremiah - Jeremiah 1:5 & Paul – Gal. 1:15

God's will is not a "bitter medicine" - Psalm 16:11

*DON'T RUN AWAY FROM GOD'S WILL FOR YOUR LIFE!

4 examples of men who left the will of God!

1. JONAH

(Reason: <u>Prejudice</u> towad the pagans)

Motive: <u>Animosity</u> see: The Book of Jonah

2. ELIJAH

(Reason: Persecution of the adversary)

Motive: Fear see: I Kings 19:1-f

3. JOHN MARK

(Reason: <u>Pressures</u> of the ministry)

Motive: Immaturity see: Acts 12:25, 13:5; 13:13

4. DEMAS

(Reason: Pleasures of the world)

Motive: Selfishness see: Col. 4:14; II Tim. 4:10

If we fight against God's will, we will not succeed, but will fail miserably.