

DISCERNING & DOING GOD'S WILL Pt. 4 (Romans 12:2c)

I. THE EXHORTATION OF GRACE (12:1)

II. THE ELEMENTS OF THE EXHORTATION (12:1c-2)

III. THE END IN VIEW OF THIS GRACE EXHORTATION. (12:2c)

A. The DISCERNING and DOING of God's Will... "*that you may prove...the will of God.*"

- 1. God has a _____ principally, personally, and providentially for your life and the ages. (Rom. 12:2c; Psalm 23:1-3; 32:8-9; 37:23-24; 73:23-24; Prov. 3:5-7; Jn 21:18-19; Acts 20:24; 2 Tim. 4:7; Heb. 12:1-2;)**
- 2. God has a will that may be _____ or _____. (Rom. 12:2c; Prov 3:5-7; Prov. 28:26; Jer.10:23; Eph. 5:15-17)**
- 3. God's will is found principally in the written _____. (Psalm 119:105; Prov. 28:26; Isa. 55:8-11; John 7:17; 2 Tim. 3:15-17)**
- 4. God's will is that you be ...**
 - a) _____ and come to know Him personally & relationally. (1 Tim. 2:3-6)**
 - What does God desire for you? What does "saved" mean?
 - How many people does God desire to save? Why did Christ come into the world?
 - Is there more than one mediator between God and man? Why or why not?
 - How was God's gift of salvation made available for you and all men?
 - What must one do to be saved? What must one not do to be saved?
 - What does God think of those people who are perishing and going to Hell?
 - b) _____. (Eph. 5:17-21; Col. 3:16)**
 - How does one receive the Holy Spirit? (Eph. 1:13)
 - Can a believer grieve the Holy Spirit? If so, how? (Eph. 4:30)
 - Can a believer grieve the Holy Spirit away? If not, why not? What does this indicate?

- What does God not want believers to be?
- What does God want to be true in a believer's life? What does "filled" mean?
- How often are you to be "filled with the Spirit"? Is this very important?
- How does this relate to Jesus Christ, your position/identification in Him, a walk of faith, and the Word of God?

c) _____ . **(Rom.12:2; 2 Peter 3:18)**

- What must precede spiritual growth & is necessary if you are going to grow? (1 Pet.1:23; 2:1-2)
- While you cannot produce spiritual growth, do you have a choice in the matter? (2 Pet. 2:2; 3:18)
- What are the 3 stages of this spiritual growth? What are the "T"s of spiritual growth?
- What are some areas that genuine spiritual growth affects? Your orientation to _____ in every dimension of your Christian life. (Eph.4:29-32) Your _____ of Jesus Christ not only as your Savior, but your Lord, Life, Hope, Joy, Friend, etc. (2 Peter 3:18a) Your motives are purified as they target the _____, not the glory of self. (2 Peter 3:18) Your _____ growing, your _____ abounding, and your _____ resulting in ongoing endurance under trial. (1 Thess.2-3; 2 Thess. 1:2-4) You get increasingly _____ into the image of Christ. (2 Cor.3:18) What must you guard against? (Heb.5:11-6:1)

d) _____ . **(1 Thess. 4:1-8)**

- How is the believer to walk and please God? What happens when a believer walks by faith and spiritually grows?
- What does "sanctification" mean & what is incompatible with a your practical sanctification?
- What does "sexual immorality" mean? What does "abstain" indicate?
- What are the divinely designed parameters for sexual fulfillment?
- Why does God warn you about this?
- How should you use your body? What shouldn't be your standard in this?
- What are 3 reasons for this instruction?
- What if you don't like what the Holy Spirit via Paul wrote here?
- How can sexual sin be prevented or forgiven in your life?