

# GOD'S WILL HOW TO FIND IT AND KNOW IT







### Lesson 1

## Defining God's Will

### God's Sovereign Will

### God's Moral Will

- Salvation (1 Tim. 2:3–4; 2 Pet. 3:9)
- Spirit-filling (Eph. 5:17–18)
- Sanctification (1 Thess. 4:3–7;
   Rom. 12:1–2)

### God's Moral Will

- Submission (1 Pet. 2:13–18)
- Suffering (1 Pet. 3:8–17; 4:12–19)
- Satisfaction (1 Thess. 5:18)

### God's Individual Will

How do we know that God has an individual (personal) will for us?

Does God's individual will include every decision that you and I have to make?



### Lesson 2

# Avoiding Popular Pitfalls, Part 1

### The Mystical Approach

- The Example of Job (Job 23:1–10)
- The Condition of the Heart (Jeremiah 17:9)

### The Divination Approach

Didn't God give us His Word to help us make decisions?
Then why can't we use it this way?

What are some differences between a 21st century Christian (you) and an Old Testament Saint?



### Lesson 3

# Avoiding Popular Pitfalls, Part 2

### The Lottery Approach

- Judges 6:36–40
- Gideon Already Knew God's Will

If Gideon already knew this was God's will, why did he use the fleece?

### The Lottery Approach

- Judges 6:36–40
- Gideon Already Knew God's Will
- Gideon's Fleece Showed a Lack of Faith

### The Circumstantial Evidence Approach

- The Danger of Open Doors
- The Truth About Favorable Circumstances
- Interpreting Favorable
   Circumstances



### Lesson 4

## Understanding The Basics

### Am I Saved?

- 1 Timothy 2:3–4
- 2 Peter 3:9

### Am I Spirit-filled?

• Ephesians 5:17–18

### **Am I Being Sanctified?**

- 1 Thessalonians 4:3–7
- Romans 12:1–2

### Am I Submitted?

• 1 Peter 2:13–18

### Am I Suffering?

• 1 Peter 3:8–17; 4:12–19

### Am I Satisfied?

• 1 Thessalonians 5:18



### Lesson 5

# Applying the Principles

### **Establish Biblical Priorities**

• Matt. 6:33

### What other priorities do you have in life?

### **Exercise Bible Principles**

- Pray (James 1:5–8)
- Get Advice (Prov. 11:14; 15:22; 19:20)

### **Exercise Bible Principles**

Gather Information (Luke 14:28–33)

Where could you get information about a college you are considering?

Where could you get information about what type of vocation you should pursue?

### **Exercise Bible Principles**

- Gather Information (Luke 14:28–33)
- Make a Decision (2 Tim. 1:7)

What are some biblical principles that you would add to this list?

#### Examples:

- Don't make a hasty decision (Proverbs 19:2).
- Don't become a partner with the unsaved (2 Corinthians 6:14-18).

