

Chapter 3

Glorifying God Leads to Doing God's Will

"Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven." Matthew 6:9-10

Jesus' deepest devotion was to the will of God the Father, Creator, and sovereign over all. When He taught His disciples how to pray, He didn't just offer words. He unveiled a vision: a world transformed by the arrival of God's kingdom and the fulfillment of His divine will. To grasp this fully, we must look back.

Before creation and the unfolding of time itself, rebellion erupted in heaven. The singular will of Almighty God was denied by beings who chose disobedience over divine alignment. These fallen angels, once part of heavenly order, were cast out, severed from the unity of God's reign.

Through His prayer, Jesus beckons earth toward heaven's harmony: *"Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven."* Why? Because heaven remains whole, united under one perfect will, while earth groans beneath the weight of fragmented desires and competing wills. The fallen have departed from God's way, but heaven remains steadfast.

In that moment, Jesus declared, *"The kingdom of God is at hand."* His invitation was not toward a distant dream, but a present and tangible reality. *"Thy kingdom come"* is a call to awaken, to pray for restoration and for God's will to permeate the brokenness of this world.

We are called to glorify God, not simply in word, but through the quiet integrity of daily obedience. Each righteous act, each choice to follow His way, becomes a

reflection of heaven on earth. To glorify Him is to live in step with His will.

While scholars and theologians explore the depths of Scripture, and their insights are undeniably rich, God has also entrusted clarity to the humble-hearted. His truth is not locked behind academic gates but freely offered to all who seek with sincerity. His message is timeless, simple, and sacred.

"...the world passeth away, and the lust thereof, but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever." 1 John 2:17

Knowing God's Will - It May Not Be What You've Been Told

What if today's Christians have misunderstood the most vital truth about salvation? The concept of God's will is not explicitly taught throughout the Old Testament, it's true. But the resurrection and ascension of Jesus Christ radically transformed that understanding.

"How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery... Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit." Ephesians 3:3-5

Through His life, death, resurrection, and exaltation, the mystery of God's will was revealed, not in abstract theology, but through direct teachings by Jesus and echoed by His apostles: Peter, Paul, James, and John. These men laid out practical commandments for how we should live as Christians, how our behavior can reflect the glory of God and fulfill His divine purpose.

This may not resemble a traditional academic perspective, but its foundation is rooted deeply in Scripture. The heart of it centers on one core truth: glorifying God through our lives is what aligns us with His will.

Before Genesis - The Eternal Vision

Our story doesn't begin at Genesis 1:1. It begins far before. Scripture reveals that God has always desired to dwell among a loving and harmonious family of His creation. Before any rebellion, the will of God was the uncontested reality. But as Isaiah tells us:

"All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way..." Isaiah 53:6

The entrance of rebellion fractured the unity of that singular divine will. God, faced with this cosmic breach, chose to enact a master plan to restore it, not just for earth, but for the entire universe to witness.

A Cosmic Strategy

Before the fall, God's created beings dwelled in an unimaginable supernatural realm, distinct from the heavens and earth as we know them. Then came the fall.

Then came something new: **time**. Through the creation of the heavens, the earth, the sun, and the moon, God brought forth time, the framework in which His redemptive plan would unfold from alpha to omega.

God's creation was perfect. He called it "very good." But Adam and Eve's fall stained that perfection, introducing sin into both humanity and the earth.

Though God could have erased everything with a word, He didn't. The plan was already in motion!

Heaven itself houses beings we scarcely understand cherubim, angels in ranks, divine council members, and perhaps countless others. The plan wasn't just for humanity. It was designed for all creation to witness God's wisdom and justice.

The Rebellion and the Response

God's response to rebellion was not annihilation. It was justice. His strategy involved creating mortal beings constrained by time, yet capable of rejecting evil and glorifying God through suffering and sacrifice.

From a supernatural perspective, this seemed laughable. How easy it had been to seduce Eve. But God's ways would defy comprehension, even to the most intelligent of His creations, the supernatural beings that rebelled.

Martyrs - Champions of the One Will

After Jesus ascended, His followers, ordinary mortals, suffered unimaginably for their faith. Many became martyrs, enduring persecution, torture, and death. Yet they sang praises and embraced suffering with joy, knowing they were moments away from seeing Jesus face to face.

These faithful mortals, unlike the rebellious supernatural beings, would now serve God eternally with honor and authority. Their obedience through humility would triumph over intellect, power, and rebellion.

And Scripture tells us, they are already with Christ, worshiping at His right hand.

The Mystery Revealed

In God's infinite wisdom, the concept of doing God's will isn't truly unveiled until the New Testament.

Salvation shifted from a strict behavioral law to a lifestyle grounded in humility, one that enables willing obedience. And obedience, when rooted in love and surrender, glorifies God.

So, what is God's will? It's not some compass for our career choices or where we should live. It's far simpler: whatever you do, do it to the glory of God.

"Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God." 1 Corinthians 10:31

Nothing mattered more to Jesus than glorifying the Father. It was the will of God.

The Finished Work

Jesus fully understood the magnitude of God's plan and the depth of His own sacrifice. He embraced it. As He prayed:

"Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee... I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work... the glory which I had with thee before the world was." John 17:1, 4-5

He is the Lamb. He is the path. And through Him, the one will of God will be restored.

Eternity in Unity

Ultimately, God's will, is fulfilled when all living beings, in perfect harmony, continuously glorify Him throughout eternity.

That is the mystery. That is the plan. That is the call.

The Importance of Returning to God's Will

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ... Having made known unto us the mystery of his will... That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth..." Ephesians 1:3-12

This ultimate unity comes through the return to God's singular will, made possible only through Jesus.

"In the days of the voice of the seventh angel... the mystery of God will be accomplished, just as He announced to His servants the prophets." Revelation 10:7

This mystery marks the completion of God's plan to usher in His kingdom through Christ, the restoration of harmony and obedience to the one will of Almighty God.

When Heaven First Rejected God's Will

Once again, before sin ever entered heaven, heaven existed in perfect harmony. But that peace was shattered when one being exercised volition against God's will. In the very place where beings existed to serve and worship God, rebellion found a foothold. There is no greater transgression than choosing self over divine will.

The same pattern followed on earth. God gave Adam and Eve free will, a gift intended to be used in choosing obedience. In the garden, their peace was disrupted by the serpent, a supernatural, intelligent entity. Likely familiar and seemingly harmless to them, the serpent employed cunning, a concept they had never encountered.

Eve was deceived with two lies, one, that she would not die, and two, that she could become *"like gods, knowing good and evil."* These "gods" in heaven represented power and status, appealing to her human desire. Thus, the first human sin was not just disobedience, it was the desire to be gods themselves.

The Weight of Sin and the Loss of Innocence

Having never sinned before, Adam and Eve likely did not comprehend the depth of their rebellion. But guilt came swiftly and severely. They had not become gods; they

were still human. Their innocence shattered, they tried to hide from God, ashamed and exposed.

Their disobedience was twofold:

1. Disobedience by eating what was forbidden
2. Harboring a desire to rise above their created purpose, to be like gods

This desire to ascend beyond God's design is, perhaps, the gravest sin of all. It reveals pride, the very root of rebellion. Over and over again, pride causes a fall. Let that sink in - it is why humility is so profound.

Redemption Through Willing Obedience

If God had not intended for us to choose freely, He would not have granted us volition. But love, like obedience, must be offered, not demanded. That is why our decision to follow and trust Him must rise from the heart, not from fear or force.

When Jesus walked among us, many turned away. Had Satan grasped the fullness of God's plan, he might not have nailed Him to a cross. But through that sorrow, the resurrection became the cornerstone of redemption, a victory not of man, but for man, all mankind.

Those who rebelled, including the ones behind the serpent, sought to unravel the unity of God's will. They understood that true harmony could only be found in surrender to Him. Humanity's failure to uphold that surrender was not the end, but the beginning of a mystery, one still unfolding in a world under the shadow of deception.

I do not claim to understand it all. But I believe this: obedience is not a burden; it is the quiet path back to the One who made us. And though the way is narrow, it is not closed.

From Time to Eternity

We often hear that God was, is, and always will be. Now, we find ourselves in a season of time, a space carved out between eternity past and eternity future.

As the earth, moon, sun, and heavens are destroyed, time ends. Jesus has returned, cleansed creation of sin and evil through judgment, restored full communion with God, and ushered in the eternal future.

In this, we catch a glimpse of the deeper reason for our creation: to return fully to God's will, with hearts that freely choose Him.

So let us journey further. Let us explore what matters most, so we can, together, experience this joy.

Restoring Harmony through the One Will of God

All things were once in perfect harmony, united under the One Will of God. To avoid a heaven full of mere automatons, God created members of His divine council, the heavenly creatures, and the angels with intentionality. They were brought forth in a mature state, fully alive, gifted with knowledge, spiritual insight, and supernatural abilities.

They awoke not as novices, but as beings endowed with power and understanding. However, when the One Will of God was violated, rebellion arose in the heavenly realms. Created beings, once in unity, defied His divine order.

God, foreseeing the consequences, initiated a plan, not for redemption, but for restoration. A divine strategy was set in motion to replace the rebellious and reestablish the harmony of all creation under His One Will.

This foundation, anchoring all existence in God's will, is vital. Nothing in the universe surpasses the importance of honoring, experiencing, and glorifying the divine purpose.

Though we were warned against deception, much of Christianity today has fallen prey to it. Few remain who pursue the mystery of God's will with true humility. And humility is key, for without it, ego and pride distort truth, giving rise to false doctrines.

Satan thrives where ego leads.

Today, the Church is flooded with confusion and half-truths. Its greatest failure may be the neglect of authentic salvation. Where is the urgency? The very command Jesus emphasized most, deny-self, has been obscured. And without self-denial, humility cannot survive.

Look closely at the few whose hearts are truly regenerated: they actively deny self, joyfully sacrifice, and earnestly strive to do God's will. In contrast, the many, show no transformation, still conformed to the patterns of this world.

Faith in Christ is not merely professed, it is lived. It is demonstrated by trust and obedience. Through such lives, the world glimpses something different: a radiance of truth that glorifies God. And Satan despises that light.

Even Jesus Himself witnessed this response as He preached. As He shared the depth of commitment required, not just to believe, but to follow, many listeners turned away. A disciple asked, *"Who then can be saved?"* And Jesus replied, *"Small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it."* Matthew 7:14

The narrow path winds through the very heart of Satan's domain. It is not paved with comfort or ease. It calls

for trust, sacrifice, and unwavering obedience. It is steep, often lonely, and marked by suffering that feels unjust and pain that tests the soul.

Yet this is the path Jesus spoke of, the one few will find. And those who do are not merely religious. They are hungry. Hungry for righteousness. Hungry for a life that pleases God. Their hearts burn with a quiet desire to obey, even when obedience costs everything.

This is not the path of the crowd. It is the path of the cross. And those who walk it do so with eyes fixed on eternity, trusting that the pain of the present cannot compare to the glory that awaits.

The Return of the One Will of Almighty God

Jesus declared: *"For I came down from heaven not to do my own will, but the will of him that sent me. And this is the Father's will who sent me, that of all which he hath given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day. And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one who sees the Son and believes on him may have everlasting life, and I will raise him up at the last day."* John 6:38-40

(A quiet reminder: the "last day" is not followed by another.)

It was God's perfect will that all who behold and believe in the Son receive eternal life. Yet only a few choose rightly, and fewer still fully surrender to God's will. Scripture reveals that salvation is more than belief, it longs for obedience. Once again...

"Even demons believe, and tremble." —James 2:19

But belief without submission is hollow. True repentance is a turning of the heart toward God's will, a rejection of rebellion. Heaven will not host another

uprising. Never again will it tolerate a will that stands against the One Will of Almighty God.

From One Will to Many

In the beginning, there was only the will of God. But on earth, countless wills have emerged.

"All we like sheep have gone astray, we have turned every one to his own way..." Isaiah 53:6

Meaning, humanity has strayed from the singular divine will. Yet God knows every heart, just as He knew Lucifer's, and the angels who fell. For anyone to be saved, we must reject our own way and pursue His perfect will wholeheartedly, even in a sinful world.

Only a Few

Scripture often refers to the "few" who are chosen. These are the saints who deny themselves and surrender completely. They alone will dwell in the new heaven, where rebellion can never arise again.

So, why the emphasis on "few"? Because God sees the heart, and He recognizes those who genuinely seek His will do so because of their desire to be with God.

The Struggle of Repentance

Though we strive to walk in God's will, we are still in mortal bodies, living in a fallen world. We will sin. But here is the daily call:

- Hate the sin
- Repent of it fully
- Turn back to Him again and again

Repentance is not just ritual. It is raw, soul baring authenticity. It defines our love for Christ and our trust in His mercy. And it is painful, yes. True

Christians suffer not just external persecutions, but inner grief over sin.

No one rejoices in repentance. It is a moment of humility, of sorrow, of divine awakening. But it is the doorway to salvation.

The Purpose of Mankind

I believe we were created to seek humility. To serve. To love without condition. To become one with the will of God, not by force, but by surrender, volitionally. To worship Him freely, and to walk with Him forever, never again bringing forth rebellion.

From the beginning, creation bore witness to a sacred trial, not for redemption, but for justice and revelation. It was a testimony to the universe: sin cannot dwell in the presence of perfect holiness.

The angels knew it. The powers above knew it. Even the lesser gods, beings created but never sovereign, could not stand against the One Will of Almighty God.

This was the moment of Alpha. The birth of time itself. Not random, not gentle, but forged into the newly formed realm of mankind, where obedience would be tested and holiness revealed.

Understanding Time

Time is not eternal. It is a deliberate creation; a temporary dimension nestled between two incomprehensible eternities. It exists for a singular purpose, to test the possibility of a second will apart from God's own. Could any created being, of any stature, truly live independent of the Creator?

From heaven's vantage, time shrinks into a mere blink between "forever and ever," the eternity before the rebellious fall, and the eternity after Christ's reign

is complete and all sin and evil removed from God's presence.

"For He must reign till He hath put all enemies under His feet." 1 Corinthians 15:24-25

All of mankind's history is but a fleeting moment, the limited span during which God permits the existence of evil, only to draw forth a multitude of sanctified sons. These sons will bear a glory and authority surpassing Lucifer's, yet they will never harbor rebellion. **I believe this is why, but let's look deeper.**

The Glory of Submission

Unlike Lucifer, who awoke to instant supernatural powers, we, the saved mortals, voluntarily surrender pride and arrogance. We choose humility, not because it was demanded, but because it reflects Christ's selflessness.

We strip ourselves of worldly desires to honor God's will in a fallen world, a world we do not belong to. We are the chosen, and we do so because we desire to do so.

This surrender is our path to eternal life, a reality Satan doubted we could attain. Think of Job's steadfastness. This is the triumph, that mankind may live wholly independent of Satan's influence.

"Be not conformed to this world..." Romans 12:1-2

Why plead so passionately unless the stakes were eternal?

Time's End and Judgment

When Jesus returns, all sin and rebellion will be erased, destroyed. Time itself, no longer needed, will vanish.

"...that there should be time no longer..." Revelation 10:6

Peter echoes this:

"...the earth and its elements shall melt with fervent heat." 2 Peter 3:10

Time, being reliant on the sun, moon, and earth, collapses once those physical constraints dissolve. Time is but the measure of the trial, and it ends with the return of Christ.

The Gathering of All Things

"...in the dispensation of the fullness of times, He might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth..." Ephesians 1:9-10

Christ gathers all saints, martyred saints from heaven and those faithful on earth, unifying them in the One Will of God, restoring divine harmony. The new Jerusalem, the prepared mansions, await us in this renewed paradise.

Our Urgency and Call

This truth instills an urgency like no other. Our time on earth is for volitional obedience, honoring God through faithful behavior despite hardship. It is God's will that all be saved.

"...that every one who sees the Son and believes on him may have everlasting life..." John 6:40

But obedience must be chosen.

We must surrender wholly to Him, not by location, occupation, or ambition, but through behavior that glorifies Him. Choose the job where you best serve Him. Live where your obedience can flourish.

Many believe they must change the world, but Paul reminds us that we are to be a witness through our behavior, not reshape Satan's domain.

The Final Reckoning

God once destroyed the world, sparing only eight. Will you be among the chosen this time?

The mystery of God's will is not complex:

- Be faithful
- Walk humbly
- Repent sincerely
- Glorify God through obedience

All things will submit to the One Will of God. Christ Himself will return that submission fully to the Father, completing the arc from Alpha to Omega, when once again, God will be all in all.