

Your Kingdom Come-- In our lives

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When we pray **“Your Kingdom Come, Your Will be done on earth as it is in heaven”**, it also means we’re praying that God’s will is done in our _____ lives.

We want to be in charge.

We want to be in charge. We want to be in the _____ seat. We want to be the center of attention of everything.

As Christians, the Holy Spirit is the one who influences our _____ to submit to the will of God, despite our fleshly desires. It’s a fight _____ our flesh. And the _____ to which we grow in the spirit is dependent on whether we _____ with the Holy Spirit and God’s plan of sanctification and purification, or whether we feed the flesh. (see Gal 6:7-10)

Let God Reign In our lives

Trials are _____ to come. And at all times, especially in the midst of trials, it’s critical that we only let God’s Spirit direct our actions. And that is why we need to make sure that our Mind, body and soul are _____ to His will. When we pray, **your will be done**, it applies to our _____ life first, to our obedience as we face the trials of our daily life. Jesus Himself fought this battle against _____ and He overcame in the Garden (Luke 22:39-42, Matt. 26:42) It is by desiring that God’s _____ is done, and not ours that we overcome temptation. We see that Jesus’ primary concern was the ultimate working out of God’s _____ for His life; His dying on the cross for the sins of the world. It is by seeking what Jesus _____—to always and only do the will of the Father that we overcome. This is one of the most _____ prayers disciples can be called on to offer, with far-reaching consequences for the daily conduct of our lives. When we say, **Your Kingdom come, Your will be done** it’s not just a call for “that world out there” to behave ethically, or just to look forward to the ‘blessed hope’ of the consummation of the Kingdom, but a call to make sure that the Kingdom is active and _____ in us as we obey our master Jesus in discipleship. Following His _____.

We must trust God enough to let Him have control.

But God will not overrule your own _____ in your life, if you _____ to take control. Who is ruling your life? Is God’s Spirit reigning or are you allowing your _____ and _____ to run your life? When we do this, we will live in a constant state of over-thinking, constant anxiety, confusion, fear and depression. But when I let God direct me and rule my soul, then I can remain in perfect _____ no matter what’s going on around us.

It’s God’s Will Not ours

God wants to reign as _____ in our lives. He has given His only begotten Son, buying our _____ with His shed blood so that we can have a relationship with us.

In John 7:37-38 Jesus gave a personal invitation to individuals to follow Him. We have the Holy Spirit. God loves us, and has the _____ life possible planned out for us. He wants to bless us and make wonderful _____ out of our life as He sings over us. He wants our lives to be filled with blessing, peace and joy.

What is God’s Will?

Romans 12:1–2

Therefore I urge you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship.

Sacrifices are used in _____ of God. If we’re presenting our bodies and our lives as a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, then that means that the proper aim of our lives in God’s eyes is that Jesus is glorified and magnified in _____ we do. So, our entire life becomes the “spiritual service” of worship. Worship means using our minds and hearts and bodies to try to express the immeasurable worth and value of God and all he is for us so that we can

_____ Him properly in our own lives and so that we can “shine His light” to the world around us.

How do we do this? Remember Matthew 5:6 **Your light must shine before people in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven.** Our works, the way that we think and establish our _____, and the _____ that we say reflect God’s glorious _____ to those around us, and let them know that He is Good!

And, as Paul continues in verse 2 of Romans 12, we receive the explanation of how we turn our lives into an act of worship of God, as well as a warning of potential pitfalls:

2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.

Verse 2 is Paul’s answer to how we turn all of life into _____. We must be transformed. Not just our external behavior, but the way we feel and think—our minds. As we live our lives according to the _____ of God, everything becomes worship, because we do it in the way and to the extent that God _____ us to (Rom 11:36). To glorify God is what we’re here for (Psalm 73:24-26). So that means that we live in such a way that the way we live does not give people _____ to call Christians hypocrites and that we must not do anything which would give Jesus a bad name, or _____ what people think of Him.

There is a danger that the things we do will place a stumbling block to cause people to falter when they try to seek Jesus. Our _____ with the sanctification that God wants to bring about in us will help prevent this (1 Thess 4:3-4) **3 For this is the will of God, your sanctification; that is, that you abstain from sexual immorality; 4 that each of you know how to possess his own vessel in sanctification and honor, 5 not in lustful passion, like the Gentiles who do not know God; Become What You Already Are**

When we are saved, and regenerated and justified, then we are made _____. **If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation (2 Corinthians 5:17).** 1 Corinthians 5:7-8. **7 Clean out the old leaven so that you may be a new lump, just as you are in fact unleavened. For Christ our Passover also has been sacrificed. 8 Therefore let’s celebrate the feast, not with old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.** This is what is supposed to be going on in your life as a Christian. This is God’s will for you (Col 3:8-10)