



Dear brethren,

Pursuing God's will should be the earnest ambition of every true child of God. Commitment to fulfil God's will is a definite characteristic of every child of God. Jesus said, "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven" (Matthew 7:21). Anyone, who makes mere verbal confessions of faith but walks unconcerned about and disobedient to God's will, has no chance of entering the kingdom of heaven. Active obedience to the will of God is a decisive test of one's being in the kingdom of God.

It is easy enough to profess to be a lover of God, but to live the Christian life is not so easy. True religion is not empty talk but wholehearted commitment to do God's will. There must be perseverance in pursuing the will of God. Today there are too many presumptuous, self-made "instant" Christians, who have never brought forth fruits of righteousness nor proven their commitment to do His good will, especially if it entails self-sacrifice. Christians ought to be God-pleasers rather than self-pleasers or man-pleasers. They should live their lives "not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart" (Ephesians 6:6).

In this issue of Bible Witness, we would like to call our readers' attention to some of the specific God-ordained duties of every Christian, which are revealed in His Word. Our prayer and desire for all who read this issue is the same as that of Epaphras for the Colossian Christians: "that ye may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God" (Colossians 4:12).

In Christ,
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