

The Whys of Christmas



THE WILL OF GOD



THE WILL OF GOD:

WITH ALL THE PLACES TO GO...
HOW WILL YOU KNOW?

THE GOOD NEWS:

GOD HAS A WILL, IT IS GOOD
AND YOU CAN KNOW IT PERSONALLY.

Big idea:

YOU WILL NOT MISS THE WILL OF
GOD WHEN YOU ARE DOING THE
WILL OF GOD.

Believe in...

Be submitted...

Be thankful...

Be pure...

What is God's will?

*It is **God's will** that you should be sanctified: that you should avoid sexual immorality.*

1 Thess. 4:3





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positions your life to experience the
very best that God has for you.

*For **Christ's love** compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. And he died for all, **that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.***

2 Cor. 5:15-16

*Marriage should be honored by all, and **the marriage bed kept pure**, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral.*

Hebrew 13:4

Our salvation is grounded in grace, but **the goal** of our salvation is godliness.

Jesus-

You are the salt of the earth...

you are light of the world.

Matt. 5:13-16

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Four Principles that **ground, guard** and **guide**
sexual purity in the life of a Christian

1. God created sex and human sexuality,
and he declared **it good**.

“That is why a man leaves his
father and mother and is united to
his wife, and they become one
flesh”

Gen. 2:24

2. Sex and sexuality are not the problem, **lust is.**

3. A commitment to sexual purity will have a positive effect on **every** area of your life.

4. The **marriage covenant** between a man and a woman is intended to be a picture of **Christ's love for his church.**

Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her...“For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.” This is a profound mystery—but I am talking about Christ and the church.

How to walk in purity:
5 words

Atonement

For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are **justified** freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. God presented Christ as a sacrifice of **atonement**, through the shedding of his blood—to be received by faith.

Romans 3: 23-25

Empowered

For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin. Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

Hebrews 4: 15-16

Separate

If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than your whole body be thrown into hell.

Matt. 5:29

Community

confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.

James 5:16

MORE

The people who know their God shall stand firm and take action.

Daniel 11:32

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