

GROWING IN THE DIVINE WILL: For Sanctified Intercession

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Your Law is within my heart.”*

Psalm 40:8

Divine Will.... Is fulfilling the purpose of Divine Love.

Why Live Fully in Divine (God's) Will:

- ◆ Our acts have deeper merit.
- ◆ We grow in holiness and sanctification.
- ◆ We are restored to “made in His image.”
- ◆ All of our works are assured to be fruitful.
- ◆ We live fully in God's current and currency.
- ◆ Our godly virtues will grow, strengthen, deepen.
- ◆ Our virtues have their center in God's Divine Will.
- ◆ Our virtues will be used of God only for His purposes.
- ◆ We are in God's protection and provision in spite of outer circumstances.

READ: Matthew 13, the soil is our soul, the sun is Divine Will.

“Listen carefully: a sower went out to sow [seed in his field]; and as he sowed, some seed fell beside the road [between the fields], and the birds came and ate it.

Other seed fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil;

and at once they sprang up because they had no depth of soil.

But when the sun rose, they were scorched;

and because they had no root, they withered away.

Other seed fell among thorns, and thorns came up and choked them out.

Other seed fell on good soil and yielded grain,

some a hundred times as much [as was sown],

some sixty [times as much], and some thirty.

He who has ears [to hear], let him hear and heed My words.”

Matthew 13:3-9

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Some Keys to Growing in the Divine Will:

- ◆ Empty the soul, the mind, the will of all personal attachments, agendas, insistences, programs. (Which we have been doing for the past 3 years.)
- ◆ Surrender personal agendas: human purposes do not produce spiritual growth. Only actions and virtues that are in the Divine Will bring spiritual growth.
- ◆ Commit in your heart to being fully in the Divine Will.

Jesus as Divine Will Incarnate

Divine Love incarnated as Jesus Christ. Jesus was one with His Father. He only did His Father's Will. He did this as love, for love. He did this to return us to that fullness of love, Divine Love. *"If you love me, you will obey my commands."* So divine love and divine will, that is, love of God and will of God are enjoined.

Love causes us to want to do His will, Divine Will. Doing God's will fulfills love and perfects love. In this way, we become *"perfect as our Father in Heaven is perfect."* Jesus in Matthew 5:48 exhorts: *"Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect."*

Growing in the Divine Will is Emptying Out

So becoming "perfect" is not an act of personal will. It is just the opposite. It is giving over personal will, emptying out of it, and surrendering to God's Divine Will. It is the opposite of efforting.

3 Demonstrations of Divine Will

Three times was the voice of God audibly heard by people who were with Jesus. Three times God recognized His Son in the company of others, acknowledging Jesus as His.

- ◆ ***The Baptism ~ Sanctification.*** Matthew 3:15-17 *"But Jesus, answering, said to him, "Allow it at this time; for in this way it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he allowed Him. 16 After He was baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending as a dove and settling on Him, 17 and behold, a voice from the heavens said, "This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."*

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- ◆ **The Transfiguration ~ Transformation.** Heavenly Father, ... Matthew 17:5 *“He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, ‘This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.’”*
- ◆ **The Agony ~ Sacrifice.** John 12:27-28 says: *“Now My soul has become troubled; and what am I to say? ‘Father, save Me from this hour’? But for this purpose I came to this hour. Father, glorify Your name.” Then a voice came out of heaven: “I have both glorified it, and will glorify it again.”*

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### **Coming Before Lord God Adonai**

Dear Heavenly Father, I come before You today that You may bear witness to my commitment to growing in Your Divine Will. In this way, I shall become truly united with You and Jesus Christ, in fulfillment of John 17. I understand that to be living in and as Your Divine Will, I choose to empty of my own will and all of its expressions, habits and contents.

Jesus lived as the complete and perfect embodiment of Your Divine Will. Three times Your audible voice was heard by the people whilst in the company of Jesus, acknowledging Him as Yours. These three times express three elements of growing in Your Divine Will: sanctification, transfiguration/transformation and sacrifice. I lay my proclamations before You accordingly.

### **Sanctified for You Lord God**

- ◆ Heavenly Father, the purpose of living a consecrated, sanctified life is to be in complete union with you and the Chief Shepherd, Jesus Yeshua. Accordingly, I commit to being, as 2 Timothy 2:21 puts it, *“an implement for honor, sanctified, useful to the Master, prepared for every good work.”*
- ◆ Lord God, as part of consecrating myself to You, I take hold of Isaiah 1:16-17 and I commit to washing myself, making myself clean; removing the evil of my own deeds from before Your eyes; ceasing to do evil, learning to do good; seeking justice, correcting oppression; bringing justice to the fatherless, pleading the widow's cause.

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- ◆ Beloved Abba, be gracious to me, according to Your faithfulness; according to the greatness of Your compassion, wipe out my wrongdoings. Wash me thoroughly from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin; according to Psalm 51:1-2, that I am sanctified, purified for You and for a consecrated life in You.
- ◆ Lord God, I declare that the old in me has passed away and the new has come. Receive me Holy Father as a new creation in Christ Jesus, with a circumcised heart, a purified mind, heart, soul and body; according to 2 Corinthians 5:17.

### ***Transfiguration***

- ◆ Teach me to do Your will, for You are my God; let Your good Spirit lead me on level ground, according to Psalm 143:10.
- ◆ I proclaim Philippians 2:13 that *“it is not by my strength, but it is God who is effectively at work in me, both to will and to work, that is, strengthening, energizing, and creating in me the longing and the ability to fulfill my purpose for Your good pleasure.”*
- ◆ Fill me with the knowledge of Your Divine Will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, according to Colossians 1:9.
- ◆ Lord God You have not only raised up the Lord Jesus, but will also raise me up through Your power, according to 1 Corinthians 6:14.
- ◆ I proclaim John 4:34 as my own, that *“my food is to do Your Will Father God, and to accomplish Your work.”*
- ◆ Heavenly Father I proclaim 1 Peter 4:2, so as to live the rest of the time in the flesh no longer for the lusts of men, but for the will of God.
- ◆ Lord God, I take hold of 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, where You have provided a guideline for being in Your will: I rejoice always and delight in my faith; shall be unceasing and persistent in prayer; in every situation, no matter what the circumstances, shall be thankful and continually give thanks to God; for this is the will of God for me in Christ Jesus.
- ◆ Heavenly Father, I take hold of John 7:17-18 that if anyone is willing to do His will, and I am Lord God, then I shall know about the teaching, whether it is of God, or I am speaking from myself. The one who speaks from himself seeks his own glory; but the one who seeks the glory of the One who sent Him, he or she is true, and

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there is no unrighteousness in them. I seek Your Glory Lord God. I want to glorify You, not my own views, opinions, beliefs and accomplishments. You Lord God and Jesus must increase, but I must decrease according to John 3:30.

### ***Sacrifice***

- ◆ Heavenly Father, I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me, according to Galatians 2:20.
- ◆ I therefore consider the members of my earthly body as dead to immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed, which amounts to idolatry, according to Colossians 3:5.
- ◆ Lord God, I choose to die to myself and I pray Luke 9:23, that I come after and seek union with Jesus Christ, I deny myself, take up my cross daily and follow Christ Jesus.
- ◆ Heavenly Father, for the purpose of living a consecrated life, I separate myself from all that stands between You and me; including lures and lies of the adversary about what is important and a priority above You. I give You full permission to separate me from all that stands between You and me, and my ability to live Your heart's desires through me.
- ◆ I separate myself from habits, foods, activities, entertainment, attachments and addictions, relationships that allow principalities of this world, such as leviathan and jezebel, to get a foothold in my psyche and life.
- ◆ I declare and take hold of Your instruction in 2 Corinthians 6:17-18, I shall therefore, come out from their midst and be separate, and shall not touch what is unclean; and I pray Lord God that You will welcome me. And You will be a Father to me, and I shall be your son/daughter.

### ***I Consecrate All of Me to You Lord God***

- ◆ Dear Heavenly Father Abba, I consecrate to you ALL of me — my thoughts, words and deeds, my works, my schedule and time, my relationships and family, my body, heart and soul. Help and guide me to release, relinquish ALL that stands in the way of consecrating ALL of me to You.

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- ◆ As Psalm 40:7-8 declares: *“Then I said, “Behold, I have come; It is written of me in the scroll of the book. I delight to do Your will, my God; Your Law is within my heart.”* I do indeed Lord God, delight to do Your will!
- ◆ I consecrate myself now, so that tomorrow You Lord God will do wonders amongst us, and in and through me, according to Joshua 3:5.

### **Consecrate Me Lord God**

- ◆ Heavenly Father God, *purify me with hyssop, and I will be clean; cleanse me, and I will be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness, let the bones You have broken rejoice. Hide Your face from my sins and wipe out all my guilty deeds. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me,* according to Psalm 51:7-10.
- ◆ May the God of peace himself sanctify me completely, and may my whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to 1 Thessalonians 5:23.
- ◆ Consecrate me Lord God Heavenly Abba, for You have not called us for impurity, but in holiness, according to 1 Thessalonians 4:7.

### **My Consecration to You Lord God**

- ◆ Heavenly Father, I consecrate myself to you according to Colossians 3:12-17, *“So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, I put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience; bearing others, and forgiving others, whoever has a complaint against anyone; just as the Lord forgave me, so must I do also. In addition to all these things I put on love, which is the perfect bond of unity. I let the peace of Christ, to which I am indeed called in one body, rule in my heart; and be thankful. I let the word of Christ richly dwell within me, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in my heart to God. Whatever I do in word or deed, I commit to doing everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father.”*

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**Sealing Prayer:**

***Let Us Love One Another - Divine Will in Action***

*“Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God,  
and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God.  
Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love.  
In this the love of God was made manifest among us,  
that God sent his only Son into the world,  
so that we might live through him.  
In this is love, not that we have loved God  
but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.  
Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.  
No one has ever seen God; if we love one another,  
God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.”*

1 John 4:7-12

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