

**Objective: to encourage every believer to discover and yield to God's will.**

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## **Humbling Through Yielding**

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### **Introduction**

Fasting is a food, focus and hearing contest. Look to the Lord to speak to you in this last two days by waiting...simply waiting before Him. Say aloud, "Speak Lord, for your servant is listening....I wait for your still small voice to come into my mind."

### **Humbling Through Yielding**

Wanting for all of us to get the maximum of this fasting and prayer before the Lord, I want to speak about Humbling Through Yielding.

Luke 22:42; Matt. 6:10

Matt. 8:19

"Then a teacher of the law came to him and said, "Teacher, **I will follow you wherever** you go."

Matt. 8:23

"Then he got into the boat and **his disciples followed him.**"  
Disciples **follow** the Master.

Matt. 12:50

“For **whoever does the will of my Father** in heaven **is my brother and sister and mother.**” The Family of God is made up of those who do His will.

**Yielding** is one of the toughest words to embrace in life. It starts in an infant. Wise parents seek to break the will of their children without breaking their spirit. Without breaking their will, the child grows up with strong self-will and a natural bent to go outside the boundaries of authority. As a result, terrible things occur to themselves and others, simply because they have never yielded to the will of someone in authority. *Parents relation to their children is a parallel of our relationship to our Heavenly Father.*

The Cross is a cross of two wills – man’s will versus God’s will

### **Yielding Comes Out of Brokenness**

Many are broken but have no brokenness. Life has beat them up so badly, but they are not ready to **yield** to the Lord and Master or anyone else. Illustration: One man said after telling me his considerable tale of woes, “What makes think you can tell me what to do? I said, “I cannot command you to do anything, only say what God has said you should do. How bad off were you before you came to see me? What would happen if you simply **yielded** to the advice, I have given you and gave it try? If nothing happened, you have lost nothing. At this point you have only taken your own advice and it brought you here, to see if I could confirm that you had made all the right decisions.

Countless are the number of believers who have said to me, suffering the ravages of bitterness and unforgiveness, “I will never forgive them.” The significant part of their statement is “**I will.**” They have made a choice, a decision, an act of will, that they will not choose to do what God expressly commands. As one man said, the statement,

“No, Lord...”, is an oxymoron or a contradiction of terms. One of the names of the Devil is “**the spirit of lawlessness.**” 2 Thes. 2:3, 7; 1 John 3:4.

Instinctive to the “old man” or to the person I used to be, is the desire to have the best of life without having to give up too much. We often ask God for the **stuff** we want and need and that is absolutely acceptable. However, in the Disciples prayer, what comes first? “...your **will** be on earth as it is in Heaven.” How often do we go before the Father and ask Him. “What do you want me to do with my life, my energy, my time, my resources, etc?”

### **Doing The Will of God**

**Yielding** to the will of God is more than making the choices to do right and reject wrong. It also involves doing His will with your whole life. You can simply try to be a good person and neglect the *very significant* choice to **yield** to His plan for your life—i.e. yield to your life purpose.

Judg 21:25

Acts 26:19 KJV says, “Whereupon, O king Agrippa, I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision...”

James and John

Christians humble themselves *to do God’s will* with their lives. Whatever is the *calling* they have on their lives, they bow and submit to that.

Ignorance – some don’t want to know God’s will because they secretly believe it is something they do not want to do...and several reasons behind it...its’ probably hard, its probably full of less comfort, I might have to sacrifice something...I’m afraid to ask God what His will is for me lest He say something that has too many unanswered questions.

**Humble yourself through yielding to His will and He will lift you up!**  
Come to the front and re-consecrate your life to Him...