## How is God's will for mankind known? From God's Word The Holy Bible as The Holy Spirit Teaches.

The Son of man shall come in the Glory of His Father. Many shall be drawn to His word the Holy Bible as the complete revelation of God's will for a more abundant life, even eternal life. In darkness, against hope, many shall believe in hope. Having access by His faith, many are saved by Hope, in Jesus Christ the Son of man, who teaches: (Mt 16:25-28; 18:11; Jo 1:1-14; 6:68;10:28 lsa 50:10; Ro 4:18; 5:1-5; 8:24-25; 1Thes 5:14):

John 10:10 The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

God's people confess that in themselves they cannot comprehend such grace from the one who sits above the heavens and the earth, who, alone, manifests infinite power and majesty over every creature, (Re 5:13). Who by speaking brought the universe and the earth and all of mankind into existence. But it's true. And in this book the Holy Bible we have God's word for it. And so we praise Him for this book, by which God confirms the Spirit that is in us, as we read His word the Holy Bible:

Psalm 139:4-6 For there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo, O LORD, thou knowest it altogether. 5 Thou hast beset me behind and before, and laid thine hand upon me. 6 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high, I cannot attain unto it.

All words, phrases, and sentences in the Holy Bible were not intended to be easily understood, (Isa 28:10; Mt 13:13-15, 34). As God humbles His people they come to realize that in themselves they cannot possibly come to God's truth that is rooted in their own understanding. Through the Holy Bible God's Spirit instructs us to put our trust in God who alone is the creator of all things, which includes our spiritual hearts and minds:

Proverbs 3:5-7 Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. 6 <u>In all thy ways acknowledge him</u>, and he shall direct thy paths. 7 ¶ <u>Be not wise in thine own eyes</u>: fear the LORD, and depart from evil.

As the Lord confirms His word to us from this book, God teaches us how it is possible to trust all that God declares throughout this book, as His word reveals in us as a new heart and a new spirit, (Jo 6:63; 14:26-27):

Ezekiel 36:24-27 For I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your own land. 25 ¶ Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you. 26 A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. 27 And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them.

Of ourselves we will not seek to be obedient to the truth God reveals throughout this book, (Psalm 14:2-3). Yet, if God is drawing us to Himself, [draw, {Greek/ helkuo}, meaning, to drag], do we find an on-going need to know the truth of God, as God emboldens us to examine everything in this book, we perceive to be His word in us, as the Holy Spirit teaches (1 Co 2:12-13). God the Father, who is that Spirit, comforts those He is drawing to Himself, through the knowledge that is seen by the wisdom and understanding of God's Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, as one with God, declares to us, (Jo 4:24; Ro 8:9; Pr 8:12-14; 1Jo 1:57):

John 6:44 No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day.

Should our eyes be opened to the forgiveness of sin, manifesting an ability to discern between good and evil, it is the Spirit of Christ working in us, according to the Father's will, which is not of ourselves (Ro 8:9):

Acts 26:18 To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me.

Philippians 2:13 ¶ 13 For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.

Typified by the cry of young fledgling's in the nest with beaks wide open for that life giving food: as we perceive the wonderful works of God in our lives, it is His help we cry for as we pray without ceasing for His Spiritual sustenance that leads us to feed upon His Holy word, (Re 10:9). Through the Son there is an intimacy and a relationship the Father provides to His sons of God, (Mt 6:9-13; Ro 8:14). Firstly, from this Book the Bible, [as it reveals Christ's faithfulness, and not our own], does God begin to show His presence in those who sincerely seek the wisdom of God over the wisdom of this world, (Ps 79:9; Jo 4:24; 1 Co 2:12):

James 1:5 If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.

Galatians 3:26 For ye are all the children of God <u>by faith in Christ Jesus</u>. ... 28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, <u>there is neither male nor female</u>: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.

Psalm 19:7-9 ¶ The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple. 8 The statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes. 9 The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

Psalm 119:24 ¶ Thy testimonies also are my delight and my counsellors.

All who shall desire the sincere milk of the word of God are the same who are drawn, *[even spiritually dragged]*, to examine all of God's word, as documented in this book the Holy Bible, (2 Peter 1:21). His documented word is our sole proof and confirmation of God's spiritual work that we witness, (Jo 6:41-44; 14:26; 1 Pe 2:1-3). Through this book, as the Holy Spirit teaches, we thirst and hunger for His Righteousness, as the Spirit continually opens our eyes to the precepts of God, by which we grow in grace. It is a journey and not an arrival; for it is God's eternal will that His Spirit works on our behalf, here a little, and there a little; not our will be done, but His, (Ps 119:93; Isa 28:10; Mt 5:6; Lk 22:42; 1Pe 2:21):

Psalm 119:18  $\P$  Open thou mine eyes, <u>that I may</u> behold wondrous things out of thy law.

1 Thessalonians 5:17-18 Pray without ceasing. 18 In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

God, alone, by the Holy Spirit, and by the Hope of eternal life in Jesus Christ, confirms all things by a faithful promise, the root of which cannot be seen by earthly things, (Tit 1:2; Ro 8:24-25). And God shall protect His own as He lovingly warns them, 'not to be hasty', in their search for what God would have them to know, as many hastily eat, [hasty fruit], manifesting the will of man over the will of God, as had beguiled Eve:

Isaiah 28:4 And the glorious beauty, which is on the head of the fat valley, shall be a fading flower, and as the hasty fruit before the summer; which when he that looketh upon it seeth, while it is yet in his hand he eateth it up.

2 Corinthians 11:3-4 But I fear, lest by any means, <u>as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty</u>, so your minds should be <u>corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ</u>. 4 For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we have not preached, or if ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, <u>ye might well bear with him</u>.

Through the Holy Bible does the Spirit confirm God's word to us. Through this book, only, do we learn of His knowledge, and wisdom, and understanding. In the fruits of the Spirit do we grow, (Gal 5:22). As scales that perpetually fall from the eyes, that Christ's light might enter in, do we grow beyond the milk; for He is drawing us to feed upon that spiritual meat which is the whole counsel of God in Jesus Christ:

Isaiah 28:9 ¶ Whom shall he teach knowledge? and whom shall he make to understand doctrine? <u>Them that are weaned from the milk, and drawn from the breasts</u>. 10 For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little:

1 Thessalonians 5:20-21 Despise not prophesyings. 21 <u>Prove all</u> things; hold fast that which is good.

We are totally dependent upon God's spiritual provision and instruction. As the Father draws us to the Son, 'we learn', through obedience to the things in this book, confirmed by the Spirit, by which God establishes His faithfulness in us. So that we desire His faithfulness, that is not of ourselves, to be in our brothers and sisters, and in all whom we love, even our enemies, as the Holy Spirit teaches, according to the scriptures, (Mt 5:44; Jo 13:34-35).

We would be of one heart and one mind, who are totally dependent on the Holy Spirit Who leads us into all truth, that is according to the longsuffering of Jesus Christ, (Jo 16:13). For He alone is our faithful minister of every word that proceeds from the mouth of God, (Mt 5:18; 2 Pe 3:15). It is for this reason alone we find an honest countenance of our gratefulness to God, as His Spirit unveils the whole revelation of His Son Jesus Christ, according to the scriptures (1 Co 15:3-4; Re 22:18-19):

2 Timothy 3:16-17 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: 17 That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.

Through the operation of the Holy Spirit we learn how God is the interpreter of His word, not man, (2 Pe 1:20-21; 1 Co 2:13). It is the Holy Spirit who teaches us how to compare spiritual things with spiritual. We see how all of God's word is Eternally Spiritual; for God is an Eternal Spirit (Ps 90; Jo 4:24). Simultaneously, we live in a physical earth in carnal tabernacles. By God's gospel design, God's word the Bible is compared with all of God's word the Bible, which, word, God spiritually confirms in us, as the Holy Spirit teaches, who now abides in us, as we work while it is called To day, (Mt 21:28-31; Heb 3:13; 1 Jo 4:2-3):

- 1 Corinthians 2:13 Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, <u>but which the Holy Ghost teacheth</u>; <u>comparing spiritual things with spiritual</u>.
- 2 Thessalonians 3:10-11 For even when we were with you, this we commanded you, that if any would not work, neither should he eat.

  11 For we hear that there are some which walk among you disorderly, working not at all, but are busybodies.

Hebrews 4:10-11 For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased <u>from his own works</u>, as God did from his. 11 ¶ <u>Let us labour therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief</u>.

Our labor and rest is by the living word of God working in us. The knowledge, wisdom, and understanding, rooted in ourselves, is unto death. All that is confirmed by the physical creation must accurately typify the Spiritual Truth of God who is the creator of all things. If a spirit witnesses a physical sign that conflicts with the spiritual truth of God, the sign is spiritually evil, (Isa 7:14; 1 Jo 4:1). We would not worship this Book called the Holy Bible! Nor would we worship mankind who are called to minister the things in this book, who on this earth are not without sin.

By His lovingkindness we worship God who is a Spirit, who perfectly leads us into all truth, according to His will and good pleasure, which we learn about from the Holy Bible. But God has warned, that, many who profess Christ may show to be of their own faithfulness, manifesting their own works, trumpeting their own wisdom, not Christ's Faithfulness, not Christ's Wisdom, that would be according to the will of God:

Isaiah 66:5 ¶ Hear the word of the LORD, ye that tremble at his word; Your brethren that hated you, that cast you out for my name's sake, said, Let the LORD be glorified: but he shall appear to your joy, and they shall be ashamed.

Psalm 130:5  $\P$  I wait for the LORD, my soul doth wait, and in his word do I hope.

Confirmed by the Old Testament from God's judgment on Adam, God's Spirit unfolds the will of God in Jesus Christ, *the last Adam*, (1 Co 15:45), who came to save His people from their sins, (Ro 5:17-19; Mt 1:21). Confirmed by the New Testament, God moved holy men of old to document God's will by which we are drawn to the forgiveness of our sins, according to the longsuffering of Jesus Christ, (2 Peter 3:15):

Psalm 147:19 He sheweth his word unto Jacob, his statutes and his judgments unto Israel.

Psalm 119:9-11  $\P$  Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word. 10  $\P$  With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments. 11  $\P$  Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.

As Jesus prays without ceasing to His Father on our behalf, we find spiritual comfort while in darkness; for we trust the word God has given to us through the Holy Bible as the Holy Spirit teaches, (Isa 50:10):

John 17:16-17 They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. 17 ¶ Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.

Through the Holy Bible many are warned as God the Father glorifies His Son Jesus Christ, who, alone, sanctifies and saves His people from the eternal wrath of God, which all but Christ deserves, (2 Pe 2:4-9; Js 2:10):

2 Peter 1:17-18 For he received from God the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, "this is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased". 18 And this voice which came from heaven we heard, when we were with him in the holy mount. 19 ¶ We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts: 20 Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. 21 For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

As in the present creation, God's word the bible has a beginning, which we see in, Genesis, and it has an end, which we see in, Revelation. And as the Holv Spirit teaches, there is no other word that is from God:

Revelation 22:18-19 For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, <u>If any man shall add unto these things</u>, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: 19 <u>And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy</u>, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.

God's word to us, then, is, every word, between the first word in Genesis, and the last word in Revelation, inclusively. There are no other books the Holy Spirit acknowledges as, The Will of God, that encompass past, present, and future events, as one event, as the Spirit confirms in the King James translation, and a few others, that are reasonably transcribed from the original Hebrew, Aromatic, and Greek texts. And this is God's doing not mans; for in this text we must see the Lord Jesus Christ as the very essence of God's word. By His faithfulness, we completely trust that it is God who has confined His word to us in this book the Holy Bible; for it is impossible for God to lie:

Numbers 23:19 God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?

Hebrew 6:17-18 Wherein God, willing more abundantly to shew unto the heirs of promise the immutability of his counsel, confirmed it by an oath: 18 That by two immutable things, in which it was impossible for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us:

Finally, what we read, in, Revelation 22:18-19, is not to be isolated from the rest of the Bible. For according to God's word, which we've come to trust is from the Spirit of God, we cannot possibly understand any part of God's word, except *each part* is compared with all of scripture, as the Holy Ghost teaches, (1 Cor 2:13). And as the Holy Ghost has taught us, we cannot possibly understand the book of Revelation without the rest of the Bible; nor can the rest of the Bible be understood apart from the book of Revelation. And this biblical precept must apply to every word, and phrase, and every paragraph, and book of God's word the Bible.

While it is called, To day, the Holy Spirit confirms God's perfect will and good pleasure, which does not, exclusively, but, inclusively, manifest the physical creation, from which God produced the flesh, that produced this book, which, when time should be no longer, shall burn with the earth:

Revelation 10:6 And sware by him that liveth for ever and ever, who created heaven, and the things that therein are, and the earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the things which are therein, that there should be time no longer:

1 Corinthians 13:8-10 ¶ Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away. 9 For we know in part, and we prophesy in part. 10 But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away.

2 Peter 3:9-13 ¶ The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. 10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. 11 ¶ Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness, 12 Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat? 13 Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

While it is called, To day, God speaks to us through His Son the Lord Jesus Christ, who's Name is called, 'The Word of God'; (Revelation 19:13). He is the Savior and Comforter who is revealed to us through this Book the Holy Bible, as the Holy Spirit teaches; for the Holy Spirit does not speak of Himself:

John 16:13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: <u>for he shall not speak of himself</u>; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: <u>and he will shew you things to come</u>.

It is by the Holy Spirit God creates His elect in the womb, that they might come to know life, and life more abundantly, (Mt 16:27; Joh 3:3-5). Many shall come to know eternal life in Jesus Christ, who is the living word of God, who abides in the hearts and souls of His people, as the Spirit of God teaches us through this book the Holy Bible, (Ro 8:9):

Hebrews 1:1-3 ¶ God, who at various times and in different manners spoke in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, 2 Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds; 3 Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;

Revelation 19:12-13 His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had <u>a name written, that no man knew, but he himself</u>. 13 And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God.

Psalm 107:8 Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!