

21 Days of Prayer and Fasting - Part 2  
Pressing through to the Promise  
Daniel 10:11-13 -- 1 John 5:14-15

We know God hears us and that the answer is on its way but we face resistance by demonic forces working to stop us from receiving our answer.

2 Corinthians 10:3-5

This battle takes place in the mind

Ephesians 6:10-17

This attack is designed to have a negative impact on your faith

James 1:6-8

Satan's goal is to attack your faith with the darts of "what if?"

His goal is to pull your attention away from the promise and put it on the problem.

What we focus on is magnified—You can tell what you've exalted in your life by the space it takes up in your thinking—God's promises or your problems.

Luke 8:43-48/Matthew 9:20-22—Woman with the issue of blood

There always seems to be a crowd of problems around God's promises—looks impossible to reach.

Ephesians 6:18

Prayer is not just "asking." It's communicating with God.

Asking is part of communication, but all communication is not asking.

Luke 22:42 vs. John 11:38-44

When we know the will of God about what we are praying about, the way we pray changes

When we know we are right, we are empowered to fight (that's mine).

Luke 5:12 "If you will"

Romans 2:11 & Acts 10:34 Partiality: conditional preference, favoritism, bias

**THE PRAYER OF FAITH-SPECIFIC WILL**

When we know the will of God on the situation we are facing, we place our focus on and our faith in what God has said about that situation—This is called the Prayer of Faith

The Prayer of Faith is the prayer we pray to obtain something that God has already paid for, something He has already provided for us.

We find the “will of God” on our specific situation in His Word (leaves nothing to question).

#### THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION-GENERAL WILL

When we don't know the specific will of God for our situation (job, move, purchases, trials), we place our faith in the general will of God for our lives and submit to that (not my will but yours).

What do we know, and how do we pray?

Ephesians 1:8-9/1 Corinthians 1:11-12—We can know the will of God.

John 3:16/2 Peter 3:9 –This is the will of God on salvation for the lost.

QUESTION: Why can we confidently make a call for salvation at the end of each service?

QUESTION: What other promises has God made to you?

Example: Romans 10:9-10

Never confuse the WILL of God with the WAYS of God

The WILL of God is the WHAT. The WAYS of God is the HOW

When what we are praying for doesn't happen how we thought it should, we mistakenly believe it must not be the will of God.

Our faith must be placed in the what God will do and not the how He will do it.