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(Jesus:) I want you to be happy, but whether or not you feel happy about something I've told you to do isn't the best indicator of whether or not you're in My will. Knowing My will is something deeper than emotions. It's a firm conviction inside your soul that I have shown you the correct path, and that no matter what it feels like or looks like at first, I will help you and be with you.

Knowing My will is based on faith in your ability to hear from Me, faith in My written Word, and faith in the godly counsel of others. It's primarily based on faith that I have a plan for your life beyond what you could ever plan or foresee for yourself.

You need the faith that our relationship is like that of a father with his children, and that I know things you don't know yet, and have a plan for you that is greater than what you can see. If you have this kind of faith, then you'll be able to seek My will and successfully find it.

The process of finding My will can be difficult at times as you struggle to look past all the earthly ways of making decisions based on reacting to emotions or relying on what is the acceptable thing to do by man's standards. It's a lot easier to base your choices on those earthbound factors; it can be challenging to push them aside in order to find My will.

But if you have faith in My plan for your life, and faith in the knowledge that there is a "God's will" in every situation, then with time and desperation, you will discover My plan. Settling for what feels right emotionally can cause you to make a mistake or miss My will.

Sometimes what I want for you is perfectly in line with what you want for yourself, but not always. You need to know that what I want and know is right and what you want and think is right will not always be aligned. It's nice when it works out like that, but there will always be those challenging times when you feel pulled one way but I'm pointing in another.

You need to be prepared to accept My will even when it seems difficult or illogical. My ways are higher than your ways, and My eyes see a lot farther than yours. Many people have regretted choosing their own paths (when those paths were not in line with My will), but no one who has seen My will come to fruition has ever regretted following Mine.

Some people jump to conclusions and say, "I did it God's way, and I don't like how things turned out." But those people haven't seen the final outcome. I promise you that those who have come to the end of the road and have seen the full story of their life in all its detail never regret choosing My will for them.

I want you to come out of life with as few regrets as possible. You want that too. No one likes living with regret and having to look back and wish they could have done something differently. The solution is to simply be desperate to find My will for your life, and to live your life in alignment with My will to the best of your ability.

I know who you were, I know who you are, and I know who you're going to be. I know what you want now, and I know what you will want in the future. I know everything about you. What I put in front of you as the course I want you to follow is the path that is going to make the most of you and ensure that you live the best life you possibly can. The more you take My advice, the more likely you're going to be happy and look back on your life with joy, not regret.

I am the only solid footing you can find on which to base the decisions of your life.--And you will find that the better you know Me and the more time you spend yielding to My plan for your life, the more often it will happen that when I want something, you will want it too.

My Word says, "Delight thyself also in the Lord, and He shall give thee the desires of thine heart" (Psalm 37:4). If your foremost desire is obeying and serving Me to the best of your ability, I promise that I will see to it that you are happy. However, true happiness is much more than just feelings. True happiness comes from My foreknowledge and fulfillment of your true needs and desires, and those who yield to My wishes for their life experience that to the full.

So if you want to be happy and you want to live the best life possible, remember that as much as you think you want something, or as much as something sounds like a good idea to you, it's always better to base your choices on something more lasting than your whims or impulses.--That something is Me and My loving protection of you and your future.

If you're faced with a choice, ask Me about it. Find out what My Word says, and ask Me personally what I think. If what I want and what you want are the same thing, then you can be happy about that. But if I'm pointing in a direction that isn't your personal preference, that's when it helps to remember that you don't know everything, you can't see the future, and I know best. I also love you very much. So if I am asking you to do something that is difficult, I'm asking it of you for your good, for your long-term happiness. I love you and want you to live

the best life possible.

It takes faith to choose My way, but it always pays in the end. I won't let you down. (1)

Great men and women are made through their great yieldedness, quietness of spirit, humility, and coming to Me. They are made through the moments and hours when they take the time to listen, when they take time out of their busy plans and lives to come meekly before My throne and hear from Me. (2)

Just stop, look, and listen at every corner, at every move. You'll be continually tuning in to Me, looking to Me, acknowledging Me, yielding to My way, and this pleases Me greatly. I delight, I joy, I'm thrilled when this is happening, because then I can truly work through you! Your work will be My work every step of the way. (3)

While I was on Earth, I had to know what it was like to be like you--to not have all the answers right off, but to have to pray and get answers and wisdom from Heaven. I wasn't meant to go to Earth with all the knowledge of Heaven, knowing everything, so that I could answer all the questions people had and solve all the problems of the world on My Own. That was not the point at all. I was working with My Father, just as you work with Me today.

I had to tap into His power, the power of the spirit world. I couldn't do it on My Own. I didn't have all of the wisdom of Heaven within Me, just as you don't today. I had to tap into it, I had to ask for it, I had to suck for it, I had to be yielded to receive it, just as you have to do the same today. (4)

My children, you must come to Me having put aside your own will, with a spirit of yieldedness, and first be willing to accept My will in your lives, whatever it may be, if you hope to hear from Me clearly in prophecy. You must first say, "Not my will, but Thy will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven." If there is first this acceptance and yieldedness, then you can come to Me with one hundred percent confidence that I will speak to you in a pure, sure, dependable word of prophecy. (5)

You'll just have to accept that, if I'm asking you to come to Me and hear from Me, I will speak to you and I will give you good, dependable counsel, as long as you're doing all you can to be a reliable channel. As long as you come to Me in

yieldedness, laying aside your own will, in desperation, asking Me to clear your minds of your own thoughts; as long as you come to Me in desperate prayer, asking to be an empty, open, yielded vessel, then I will pour forth sweet, good, refreshing waters, and I will not lead you astray. You must take this by faith. (6)

What is Desperation?

(Jesus speaking:) A lot of people equate desperation with extreme soberness, getting down on your hands and knees and praying, being hard on yourself, etc. Desperation is so much more than all of these.

Desperation comes from the word desperate, and when you're desperate for something, that means you can't live without it, you have to have it! You're at the end of your rope and you have to have this certain thing, or that'll be the end of you. When you're desperate for something, you're willing to do whatever it takes to get what you want! You're willing to pay as much money for it as is needed; you're willing to work for it; you're willing to sacrifice for it. This is how I wish My brides, My lovers, My children, My sweethearts to be with Me.

I would that they be so desperate that they'd be willing to pay any price to be with Me! I would that they would be so desperate that they'd be willing to sacrifice anything to be with Me. I would that My loves would have desperation in their hearts for Me, that they would be so desperate for Me that they wouldn't be able to live without Me, that they'd be so desperate for Me that they would give up anything to have Me! Desperation is a matter of wanting Me, wanting My seeds, wanting My love, wanting all that I have to give you. Desperation is not fear, worry, or seriousness--although there are times to get serious with Me.

Continued desperation with Me ensures that you'll always come to Me, you'll always want to receive My seeds, you'll always want to love Me as My bride, you'll always want to put Me first. Desperation is a matter of the heart, and if you don't have this inner desperation and desire for Me and Me alone, then you'll never be truly happy. People ask, "How can I be constantly desperate with You and yet still be happy, still have fun, still enjoy life?" It depends on what sort of happiness, fun and enjoyment you seek. You can have a measure of happiness and fun without desperation, but the true, long-lasting happiness and joy you seek can only be found and held on to through having the spirit of desperation.

The spirit of desperation is not measured in the physical. The spirit of desperation can't be judged by outward appearances, because only I can judge the heart. However, there are certain physical manifestations that prove your

desperation, your need for Me, and your love for Me. One sure measure of how much you desire and want Me is how much time you spend with Me.

If you're really desperate for Me, then you'll be seeking Me all the time, at every turn of the road, during every spare moment. If you're loving Me, making love to Me, hearing My voice through direct prophecy and the Word, then this is a sure sign that you're desperate with Me.

Living in a constant state of desperation with Me simply means that you're constantly aware of Me. And if you're constantly aware of Me, then you're going to want to do the things that will make Me happy, right? This doesn't mean that you have to spend hours and hours in the bed of love with Me. Although I'd like that, I know it isn't possible because you have so much to do, important work and many services for Me and My Kingdom.

Desperation is a constant acknowledgment of Me. In all your fun, in all your play, in all your work, in all your discussions, in all your labors, I would that you be desperate with Me. I would that you openly proclaim that you need Me, that you can't take a step without Me, that you're desperate for Me and My guidance and My help. If you're desperately desiring Me, then you're not going to get too far off the track, you're not going to be led astray, because you'll be constantly seeking Me, acknowledging Me, and giving Me the due respect that I desire.

Desperation cannot be measured by works, by the speaking of tongues, by the soberness of your spirit, by your outward appearance. Desperation is measured in the heart, and only I can say who is truly desperate. I'm drawn to those who are desperate, because they want Me with all that is within them and they're willing to give up anything else in order to have Me and My Spirit. I'm drawn to the hearts of these who desire Me and are desperate for Me.

I will draw nigh to all, but it's up to you to open your heart to Me and to say, "I can't live without You! I need You every moment of the day and night! I'll give up anything for You. I'll pay any price, I'll sacrifice any of my desires, because I can't live one day without Your help, without Your love, without Your Spirit!" This kind of desperation, this kind of yieldedness, this kind of sucking power draws Me close to the one who is desirous of Me.

Feeling weak and incapable is a form of desperation, and if you are naturally weak in the flesh, then it's easier to depend on Me and desperately seek My face and My strength. If you're naturally strong in the physical, then it takes a lot more effort to stay desperate with Me and desirous of My Spirit.

If you can usually do things in your own strength, then it's hard to see or feel the desperate need for Me. This is when you must fight. This is when you

must strive to overcome. This is when you must say, "Lord, You've given me a lot of talents and strengths, but I know that they came from Your hand and that without You I wouldn't have any of these gifts in the first place. So take me as I am. I desperately cling to You because I know that You are the glue that holds me together. Without You I am nothing." It's much harder for those who are naturally strong in the flesh to stay in a state of constant desperation, because they often lean on the arm of the flesh and think they can make it on their own.

Desperation and dependence on Me usually come more naturally to those who are weaker in the flesh, yet they also have to fight against the feeling of being too bad for Me. Each personality has its weaknesses, and I've designed it this way so that no one would be sufficient in himself. I've designed it this way so that all would know that they need Me and they're desperate for Me.

I'm attracted to those who yearn for Me, who desire Me, who are desperate for Me, who can't live without Me. I'm more willing to show Myself strong on the behalf of one who is completely dependent on Me than to one who is dependent on himself--his own strength, his own wisdom, his own arm of the flesh. This attitude of self-confidence may not be a spoken one, but is made manifest by your actions. If you do not come to Me for your strength, wisdom or help, are you not striving in your own strength?

So if you want My strength, My help, My power, My miracles and My anointing, then stay in a constant state of desperation--constantly wanting Me, needing Me, loving Me, acknowledging Me, and spending time with Me--and I will be drawn closer to you and will show Myself strong on your behalf. If I know you're depending solely upon Me, then I'm moved to work on your behalf and give you all that you desire. (*End of message from Jesus.*) (7)

In order to know My will for your particular situation and for you as an individual, you must pray and ask Me, and I will give you clear instruction. But be open to My instruction and come before Me with no opinion of your own, only seeking to be led by My Spirit. Be yielded and willing to do whatever I show you to do. Then I will be able to speak to you clearly and specifically, and you will be able to stay within My perfect will. (8)

What I look for is yieldedness--a desire to put Me and My will first; a willingness to be made willing and open even when it's hard; an openness to hear from Me and ask Me everything; and a loving and unselfish spirit overall. (9)

When you're yielded and accepting and you say, "Not my will, but Thine be done," in essence what you're doing is allowing Me to clear your heart and mind of your own opinions and thoughts, and then you become as an open channel, an empty vessel that pours forth My waters--pure and clean. (10)

Just stay yielded, moldable and willing in your daily life, in your interactions with others, in your Word and prayer time, in everything. This will keep you soft and supple and yielded and desperate in spirit to receive My messages at any time. You do not even have to work at this or try to engineer it, because I take care of it all. All you have to do is yield and be open. (11)

There must be a yieldedness to Me and to My will in all humility, forsaking your own plans and programs, your own will. Only then will the waters be clean and the message be pure. If you're full of yourselves, pushing your own plans and seeking to use prophecy as a rubber stamp for your program and to add weight to your words, then the waters will be influenced. There is a possibility that the waters could even be tainted, because your heart is not right with Me. (12)

Well, it's not a hard or difficult thing. It just takes your getting desperate with Me, listening to My voice, and being willing and yielded to do whatever it is that I have for you. If you'll do this, then I can mightily bless you and you'll see all that I have promised you in My Word come to pass. (13)

If you're desperately crying out to Me, if you come before Me with a yielded heart, and you make of your mind a blank sheet and ask Me to write on it the Words that I choose, then you must trust that when you open your mouth, I will fill it. Trust that if you ask bread of Me, I will not give you a stone, but I will give you that which you need. And I will give it to you and present it to you in a format that is safe and secure and in which you can put your full trust. (14)

The key is found in seeking Me and continuing to pray and yield and desire the things that will keep you open and desirous in spirit of My highest and best, so that I can continue to give you whatever you need. (15)

Claiming the key of yieldedness is the first step in receiving My answer for any situation or problem. Then continue to claim the key of yieldedness and I will continue to show you the next step, and every single step you need to take to

receive My solutions. (16)

I will bless and reward and pour down My seeds to all who open their channel to Me in faith, humility and yieldedness. (17)

Turn to the power of My voice of prophecy for instruction and direction in your life and work. Bring your questions and trials to Me and hear My personal Words for you. Trust in My voice, believe it, drink in My seeds, and let them be a greater strength to you than anything you've ever known before.

Turn to the counsel and help of others. Listen to others, and make it a point to be open and yielded to their point of view. There is great power in listening, both to Me and to My Word, and to others. There is so much power of My Spirit which can be imparted to those who stop and take time in communion and fellowship with Me, who rest in praise and lovemaking with Me, truly listening and being open to Me. (18)

What is most important to Me is the sincerity and the desperation of the heart. So even if you can only find a short amount of time with Me, if you make good, wise use of that time to really unburden your hearts and set aside the thoughts of your work and business, and come fully into My presence, yielded and humble and submissive to Me, totally yielding and waiting and receptive, then I will bless you abundantly. I will fulfill My Word, and I will reward. I will strengthen and supply the answers and fill the needs and encourage each heart. (19)

So don't hold back from Me, My dear ones, when you hear My gentle whisper in your ears asking, pleading, telling you to do this or that thing, make this or that adjustment in your attitudes or things you've learned in your upbringing. Just yield to My voice, step by step, and I'll bring you out to pleasant and fruitful new pastures where My voice can be heard even more clearly, and where you'll know you're fulfilling My will.

Hold not back from Me, My loves. Don't let the voice of My instruction fall on faint ears, but with an eager heart embrace all I have to give. I will give you as much as your heart seeks to have from the honey of My mouth and from the wellsprings of My heart. So will I pour out to you, and you shall be blessed. When you restrain and don't want change, that's when you start to wither. When you think you're sufficient in yourself, that's when you get weaker. But when you

know you're nothing without your Lord and God, that's when you take a big bite of the food of My Spirit, and a big drink from the water of the Word that I've laid out for you to partake of. This is when you're refreshed and rejuvenated the most. (20)

Clear your mind and your thoughts and pray desperately. Just yield all to Me. Just tell Me, "Lord, I'm Your channel. I'm here for Your use. I'm Your yielded, empty, open vessel, ready and willing and receptive to receive Your Word." Just open up completely to My Spirit and let Me wash you and cleanse you--your mind, your thoughts, your heart--from any of your own carnal thoughts and from any of the Enemy's interference (21)

(David prays:) Keep us close to You, in Your will, obedient and yielded moment by moment as we listen to Your voice telling us which way to go. Keep our hearts right with You, our motives right, our will right, everything right so that we can continue doing Your work, faithfully preaching Your message of love, winning as many souls for Your Kingdom as we can--souls that will live on for all eternity.

Thank You that we don't have anything to worry about; all we have to do is trust You and obey what You tell us to do. Thank You that You always show us the way. Here we are, Lord; use us as You will. Give us Your strength and power to love one another and to reach the lost, working together and proclaiming Your power and Your glory to all we meet. In Your Name we ask. *(End of message from David.)* (22)

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