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# HOW TO FIND, FOLLOW, FULFILL GOD'S WILL

## Everyone Has a Purpose

God has a purpose for every single person, whether they realize it or not. Your parents may not have known you were coming, but God did, and He created you. You didn't evolve. You aren't a mistake. God created you for a reason. Sad to say, most people don't live with a sense of destiny. They're doing their own thing and asking God to bless it, or they believe that God's will for their lives will just come to pass because it's fate and they don't have to do anything. That is not correct, and I'll explain why in this article.

## My Search for Meaning

All my life, I've had zero doubt that God created me with a purpose. This is huge because many people think they just happened by chance. They believe in the theory of evolution and that their existence has nothing to do with God. I tell you, it's tragic for people to have that mindset.

I remember being a kid and looking up at the stars and wondering why God created the world and what my part in it was. I had this longing to know what God's will for my life was, but I pushed it aside and acted like a typical kid, goofing off until I was ready to graduate from high school. Then people would come to my school and advertise their college or trade school, and it would rekindle my desire to know God's purpose for me.

## God's Will Doesn't Just Happen

In my senior year in high school, I began to diligently seek the Lord. I read the Bible from cover to cover. I even went out and bought a Bible commentary to get inspiration. I knew that somewhere in the Bible it had to have the formula to figure out what God's will for your life was. I asked the people in our church, and they said,

"You'll just know," and "Fate automatically happens." I reject that 100 percent. People like Hitler and Mussolini didn't live God's purpose for their lives. God didn't raise them up. God intended something totally different for them.

## A Key Verse

God has a purpose for every person, but it doesn't just automatically come to pass. Fate, or sovereignty, doesn't make it happen. If you believed that, you would have to credit God with all the rapes and murders and terrible things that happen.

To know God's purpose for my life, I had to seek to find. I had to ask to receive. I had to knock before it would be opened unto me (Matt. 7:7).

## A Life-Changing Moment

After I graduated from high school, I went to college. I still didn't know my purpose, but I was really seeking the Lord and studying the Word. I was at a church function over the Christmas holidays in 1967, and during his devotion, a man read Romans 12:1-2:

*I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.*

## The Power of Intentionality

The last part of that passage jumped out at me. This is what I had been seeking, praying, and searching the Word for. God is there to reveal His will to you, but you have to approach Him and initiate the process. You have to become a living sacrifice and be transformed

by the renewing of your mind to manifest to your physical senses the good, the acceptable, and the perfect will of God.

For the next four months, I studied these verses in Romans. On March 23, 1968, I was in a prayer meeting, and God showed up and revolutionized my life. He knocked self-righteousness out of me. My life changed radically after this experience as I began to understand grace. And it all goes back to the fact that, for a year and a half, I had been praying and seeking to know God's will. And for four months prior to that, I had been focused on Romans 12:1-2 and trying to fulfill the requirements listed there.

This powerful encounter I had with the Lord happened because I wanted to know God's will for my life.

**Your Turn to Seek**

Many of you are in the same situation I was in—you know there's got to be more to life than what you're experiencing. You have to initiate seeking God's will, and you have to persevere past any obstacles. Jeremiah 29:11 says:

*For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.*

This passage is familiar to many people, but seldom do we put it in context. The next verses, Jeremiah 29:12-13, say:

*Then shall ye call upon me, and ye shall go and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto you. And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart.*

To know God's purpose for you, you've got to get to a place where you say, "God, I'm not moving. I'm not doing anything else. I'm not wasting any more time until I find out what Your will is." You've got to be intent on it, because as long as you can live without knowing God's will for your life, you will. You have to reach this place where you search with all your heart, and that's when God reveals Himself to you.

**It's Never Too Late**

These experiences I've shared happened when I was young, but I guarantee it's never too late for you to seek God's will for your life. You can end up meandering through life, allowing obstacles you encounter to determine what direction you take, but it doesn't have to be that way. God wants you to experience the satisfaction of a life well lived.

**Step Out of Your Comfort Zone**

It can feel a little threatening to get out of a routine and do something new, especially if you've been doing the same thing for a long time. But you have to be willing to get out of your comfort zone in order to find God's purpose for your life. And I promise you, knowing the joy of being in the center of God's will makes it all worthwhile.

**Next Steps**

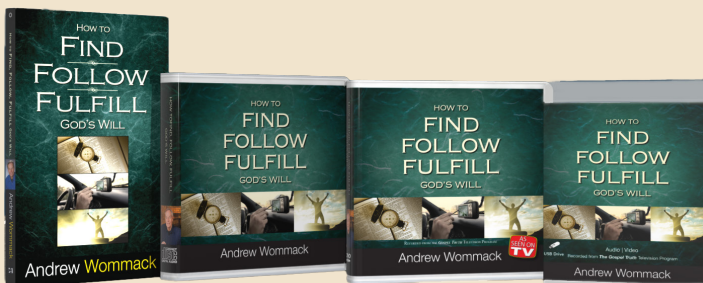
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***Romans: Paul's Masterpiece on Grace*, by Andrew Wommack**

**A Reader's Review**

This is, hands down, the best commentary out there on the book of Romans. I highly recommend it! Every Christian should take the Roman pilgrimage—and with this commentary!

— Barbara A.

*I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.*

Romans 12:1

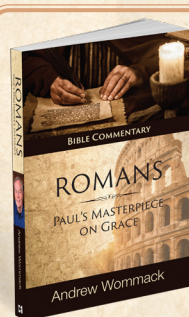
[In this verse,] Paul was speaking to us Christians. It is possible to commit our lives to the Lord for the purpose of salvation and yet not be yielded to the Lord in our daily lives. It is only when we make the total sacrifice of every area of our lives that we begin to see God's perfect will manifest through our lives.

Notice that we are the ones who have to make this presentation of our bodies to the Lord. He will not do it for us. Some of us might pray, "Lord, You do what You have to do to make us serve You." That is not a proper prayer. We cannot have someone lay hands on us to impart this commitment to us. We cannot just rebuke the flesh and expect it to disappear. We have to give our bodies to God as living sacrifices daily.

This sounds like a contradiction in terms. How can we be living sacrifices when sacrifices are always dead? This is speaking of the fact that offering ourselves to God is not just a one-time deal. We have to die to our own desires daily. This has to be a living, ongoing commitment to the Lord. The Apollo spacecraft traveled to the moon, but it was not just as simple as blasting off and landing on the moon. Course corrections were made every ten minutes or so for the entire trip. And then, they only landed a few feet inside the targeted landing area of 500 miles. Yet the mission was a success.

Likewise, there has to be a starting place for this decision to be a living sacrifice. We have to "blast off," or start our journey, sometime, but we don't ever "arrive" in this life. We just leave and start toward the goal (Philippians 3:12-13). We may be making course corrections every ten minutes for the rest of our lives. You see, living sacrifices have a tendency to keep crawling off the altar. Every minute of every day, we have to reaffirm this decision to be totally separated unto God. This is what Paul was referring to by the term "living sacrifice."

Many Christians think that living lives totally consecrated to God is something that only preachers or a few laypeople do. They see it as "extra" and not "normal" Christianity. However, Paul said this level of commitment is our reasonable service. Jesus died for each one of us. Each one of us ought to live for Him.



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## Do You Agree with God?

### Finding and Using Your Authority in Christ

Have you ever thought about what it truly means to agree with God? Many claim to believe in His promises, but do their lives reflect that belief? I want to encourage you to take a closer look at your alignment with God's Word. Are you living in the abundance of what He has given you, or are you missing out because you haven't fully received His truth?

Jesus told us,

*Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you.*

Luke 10:19, *New King James Version*

The authority Jesus was talking about isn't just for the disciples of old—it's for us today. The One who gave that authority, Jesus, now lives within us. With Christ in us, we have more than just a delegation of power; we have the very presence of God empowering us to overcome the enemy and reign in life.

#### BARRY BENNETT

is a senior instructor at Charis Bible College. He joined Andrew Wommack Ministries in 2007 and initially worked as a prayer minister before becoming an instructor. Barry is passionate about teaching the practical truths of God's Word.



But here's the problem: too many of us don't truly agree with what God says about us. James 4:7 instructs us, *"Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you."* Notice the order here. Submission to God comes first. That means agreeing with His Word, believing His promises, and standing on His truth. When we do this, resisting the devil becomes an automatic response, and he has no choice but to flee. Why? Because we are standing in the authority of God's Word, not in our own strength.

It's also important to realize that the faith you need to use is a gift from God and not based on your own ability. The Word says, *"I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God"* (Gal. 2:20, emphasis added). This verse is powerful because it shifts the focus from us to Him. We don't need to muster up our own faith. We can draw from the faith of Christ that dwells within us. When we plant ourselves in the Word and align our hearts with His truth, His faith begins to operate through us.

It's time to let go of the lies and misconceptions that religion and tradition have taught us about the attacks of the enemy and how to operate in faith. God wants us to live victoriously. God wants us to be healed, and God wants us to walk in His blessings. But it all starts with agreement. When we agree with God's Word, we position ourselves to experience the abundant life that Jesus provided for us with His finished work on the cross.

So, I ask you again: Do you agree with God?

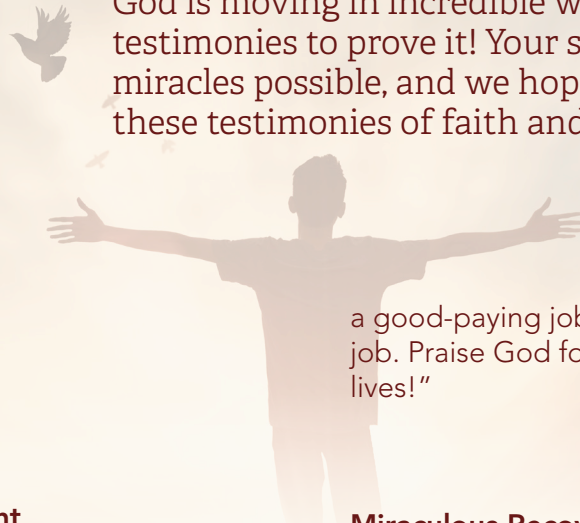
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— Ruth M.

**Sore Throat Vanishes Overnight**

"On the first day of Healing Is Here, I felt a terrible sore throat suddenly come upon me. I called your Helpline, the minister rebuked it, and it just melted away during the night. I was able to attend the conference without pain!"

— Lavi

**Miraculous Recovery from Arthritis**

"I just attended Healing Is Here 2024, and it was phenomenal! All the speakers were wonderful, and I was filled with the Holy Spirit's power every day. I arrived at the conference with bone-on-bone arthritis in both of my knees but left confident that my healing was already accomplished at the cross. Today, I have no pain in my knees and have never felt better!"

— Cheryl P.

**Breaking Free from Darkness**

"For months I was in the darkest place of my life, until the Lord pulled me out. One day, my boss recommended Andrew to me, and I was hooked from the start. I was struggling with addiction, health issues, poverty, and my relationship with Christ—I had lost hope. But once I fully surrendered myself to Jesus, everything changed. The enemy no longer has power over me or my life. Next step, Charis Bible College! God bless you all."

— Justin W.

**Cancer Scare Erased by Faith**

"Since I found Andrew Wommack Ministries last year, I've learned a lot about healing and the finished work of our Lord Jesus. Last month, I took my mom for a mammogram appointment. The doctor reported a growth in her breast, but I canceled that report right in front of the doctor. Last week they performed a biopsy, but they couldn't find any growth at all! Praise our Lord who always heals!"

— Kidist A.

**Unexpected Test Results After Prayer**

"On July 30, I called your Helpline before my routine checkup, as the doctor had requested several tests. A gentleman prayed for me, and when I went for the results, they were all normal! God bless you all, and may He keep expanding your ministry."

— Sophie K.

*He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds.*

Psalm 147:3

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## Fighting with Peace:

### Finding Strength in God's Presence

Are you facing fears and challenges that feel overwhelming? The story of Gideon in Judges 6 reflects many of the struggles we face today—whether it's anxiety at work, stress in relationships, or financial worries. Just like Gideon, who hid from the Midianites who were destroying everything around him, we can sometimes feel small and powerless against our problems. **Yet God sees us differently.**

In Gideon's intense moments of fear, God called him a mighty warrior and tasked him with defeating the enemy. In the same way, God looks at us through the lens of His power, not our circumstances. And just as He assured Gideon, God says to us, **"I will be with you"** (Judg. 6:16, *New King James Version*, emphasis added).

This promise is just as real for us today. I saw this truth in action when my daughter was struggling with anxiety about school. In those moments, she learned to pause and remember that God was bigger than any problem she could face, and He was always with her—just like He was with Gideon.

**Gideon's encounter with God was pivotal.**

After seeing the angel of the Lord, Gideon feared for his life, but God responded with comforting words: *"Peace be unto thee; fear not: thou shalt not die"* (Judg. 6:23). This reassurance was so powerful that Gideon built an altar and named it Jehovah-Shalom, meaning "The Lord God is our peace."

**Here's the truth: Peace isn't just an emotion we feel—it's who God is.** As believers, we carry this peace within us because the Prince of Peace lives within our hearts.

*For unto us a child is born, . . . and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.*

Isaiah 9:6

This means that peace isn't something we need to chase externally; it's already within us. When we allow God's peace to rule and reign, we can calm our racing thoughts, settle our anxious hearts, and make decisions guided by faith rather than fear.

**As peace leads, it changes our approach to problems.** Instead of magnifying our circumstances, we can speak to our situations with boldness, declaring, "My God is mightier than any challenge I face."

So, I encourage you to take time today to pray and ask God to reveal His peace in your heart. Write down one fear or worry, and then declare God's peace and strength over it. Trust that His presence is with you in every struggle and start speaking life and victory into your situation. Remember, with the God of peace inside of you, you can overcome every obstacle.



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