

Jubilee: Thy Will

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THEME: YOUR WILL BE DONE, ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN (MATT. 6:10B)

Bible verses: Matt 6:10; Matt 26:36-46

When we pray to God, "Your will be done," on the one hand we are willing to accept all things God has or has not given without complaint. From another perspective, we are also asking God to teach and instruct our actions while simultaneously giving us the strength to fulfill them. Therefore, the purpose of our prayer is not to ask God to achieve "My Will," but to ask God to help us obey "His Will." Pray as Jesus did in Gethsemane, "My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will."

"On earth as it is in heaven," helps us turn our attention away from the immediate challenges that face us to the hope of eternal life. In obeying God's will amidst a world polluted by sin, there will be many obstacles, but Jesus Christ has risen from the dead and sits in heaven! Therefore, we can carry out God's will with peace and joy on earth, glorifying Him until the day the Lord returns.

REFLECTION

Do our troubles and worries stem from the fact that we don't get what we want?
Can we accept everything God has or has not given without complaint?
Are our life and service goals filled with too much of our own ambitions and desires, but neglect the responsibility and mission entrusted to us by God?

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Pray that the Lord will help us follow in the example of Jesus Christ, willing to let go of our own interests and obey God's will.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray that our church will be a church that God uses to achieve His will.
Pray for the Christchurch mosque shootings in New Zealand. May the Lord remove hatred and give peace.
Pray for Church coworkers (Elder Ke-Chieh Chu, Deacon Jason Lee)