

I Will 3

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Colossians 1:9-10 – ⁹ For this reason we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to ask that you may be **filled with the knowledge of His will** in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; ¹⁰ that you may **walk** worthy of the Lord, **fully pleasing Him**, being **fruitful** in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; *NKJV*

The 4 “I Wills”

1. **I WILL** bring you out from under the yoke or bondage of the Egyptians – I will Save You
2. **I WILL** free you from being slaves to them” – I Will Free You
3. **I WILL** redeem you with an outstretched arm and with mighty acts of judgment – I Will Redeem You
4. **I WILL** take you as my own people, and I will be your God – I Will Take You as my Own

Exodus 6:6-7 – ⁶ "Therefore, say to the Israelites: 'I am the LORD, and I will bring you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians. I will free you from being slaves to them, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with mighty acts of judgment. ⁷ I will take you as my own people, and I will be your God. Then you will know that I am the LORD your God, who brought you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians
I WILL take you as my own people, and I will be your God – I Will Take You as my Own."

The first three tell you **what God has done for YOU**. The last one tells you **WHY God did it for YOU**.

This is when your Christianity becomes the most meaningful and fun.

This is when you come to realize that this is about **the Father and His family!**

This is about taking your place in **the Family Business**.

The Family Business is about:

- Saving people
- Freeing people
- Redeeming people

This is about **identifying** and **taking** your place in the Father's purposes.

The first three purposes of VFC deal with "What God has done for you" – Weekend Services/First Wednesdays, Small Groups, Growth Track.

The fourth one tells you "Why He did it for you and How you are CALLED to do this for others" – Dream Team.

When God calls you His own, He is saying what you would hear a father or mother say about their children in all circumstances.

As a father I desire to:

- See my children live purposeful and fulfilling lives
- Protect them

They consume my thoughts, my resources and my life.

What is man that your mind is captured by him...

Matthew 6:31-33 – ³¹ So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' ³² For the pagans run after all these things, and **your heavenly Father** knows that you need them. ³³ But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and **all these things will be given to you as well.** *NIV*

Success as a Christian is moving from **where you are** to **where God wants you to be.**

This is when you find out **why you get up in the morning.**

This produces a life of **praise (Halel).**

This is when **what you do for God** goes from the **got to**, to the **get to.**

Ephesians 3:20 - Now to Him Who, by (in consequence of) the [action of His] power that is at work within us, is able to [carry out His purpose and] do superabundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams] — *AMP*

There is absolutely no fulfillment in life outside of being used to lift others.

Everything else fades and loses its shine.

The things of this earth will grow strangely dim in the light of His glory and grace.

Confession:

I WILL be thankful to my God who has saved me and set me apart for a significant purpose. **I WILL** respond to God's love for me by bringing his love to my generation. **I WILL** make weekend services a priority in my life. **I WILL** seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness. **I WILL** trust God to open doors in my everyday life relationships to bring people to church that either don't know God or are far from God. **I WILL** go into the highways and hedges and compel them to come. **I WILL** be a light to my world. **I WILL** join my actions with God's desire to see His house filled and my generation come to know Christ. **I WILL** lay down my life to see others come out of a life separated from God. **I WILL** do my part to win this world to Jesus.