Will of God

First let me say that I highly recommend the book by John McArthur," <u>Found: God's Will (Find the Direction and Purpose God Wants for Your Life)</u>" It is a small paperback and very good. I found it to be just what I needed when struggling in this area.

God Will Guide Your Steps

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Let's say you are looking for a new Job...

You Are Now Operating On A Different Playing Field!

Now that you have received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit and have made a complete and full surrender of your entire life over to God the Father – He is now in complete and total charge of your life! When you make this full surrender with God, it is now His job to take full and complete care of you in every detail of your life – including finding the next job that He will want you to move into.

There is not an area or detail in your life that God will not be willing to help you out with – no matter how small or trivial you think it may be. The Holy Spirit is called "**the Helper**" in the Bible. It is now His job to help you in **every single area of your life** where you will need His help.

Here is what you will really need to ground on in your own personal walk with the Lord. Now that you are walking in God's perfect will for your life – God will now be the One to fully guide you into whatever jobs He will want you to have from here on in. The choice is no longer yours!

God now has a perfect divine plan set up for your life – and He will now be the One to guide you every step of the way into the fulfillment of that divine plan!

What specific jobs you will now be taking will be very important in your own spiritual growth and development with the Lord. The jobs you will now be taking will be building blocks that will lead you into whatever His specific plan and destiny is going to be for your life. This now takes the burden off of you in trying to find the next right job. You obviously will still have to seek after the next job – but God will now be guiding your steps as you continue to seek after this new job, making sure that you always land in the specific jobs that He will want you to have at the exact time He will want you to have them.

You are now operating on a different playing field where the rules have changed a bit for you. What this means is that if you go on a job interview and do not get the job, this means that God did not want you to have this job in the first place – and He was the One who closed the door on you getting that job so as to make sure that you did not go down a wrong path. So when you keep getting rejected after several interviews, do not look at these rejections like you are a failure. Look at it that these were jobs that God did not want you to have in the first place, and that He was the One who was running interference so as to make sure that you did not end up taking those wrong jobs.

Remember – God already has your next job all set up and planned out for you. All you have to do is simply wait for His timing to bring it to you!

I know the waiting can really get to you, but this is how God develops the fruit of patience and faith in your personality. You simply have to have full faith, trust and belief that God now has your life completely in His hands and that He will now bring you the right job at the right time.

And not only does God have a set plan and a set future for your life – but He also has a set timetable in which all of these plans will manifest in your life. You simply have to learn how to have patience during these waiting periods. In the meantime, God will make sure and arrange that you have enough money and support coming in to help keep you

afloat until this next job comes through. This is where you have to learn how to have **complete faith in the Lord** to do all of this for you.

We all have been put through the waiting ringer plenty of times, and God has never failed to keep us afloat and open the door to the next step in our walk with Him when the time was right. You can take that fact to the bank!

The Scripture Verses

I will now give you some of the best verses from Scripture that will show you that it is now God's job to fully guide you every step of the way as you now embark on this new journey with Him.

Study these verses very carefully! This is where many Christians really miss the boat with God. Too many Christians are running their own lives and making their own choices instead of turning the reigns of their life over to God the Father for Him to fully handle. Only God knows what your true potentials are in this life – and He is the only One who can arrange to have those full potentials maximized and realized in this life!

1. This first verse will specifically tell you that God now has a definite **PLAN** and **FUTURE** set up for your life. This is from the prophet Jeremiah and it is a very popular verse.

"For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope." (Jeremiah 29:11)

Notice the words "to give you." God is going to give you, to bring to you His specific plans and future that He now has in store for your life.

2. Memorize this next verse. This one liner is extremely powerful.

"The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord ... "(Psalm 37:23)

Another way to look at this is that a step is one day in your life. What this means is that God now has each day of your life perfectly planned out for you to the day that you depart from this life. You are now on the yellow brick road with the yellow color now being the light of God Himself.

Your job is to now live each day to its fullest, always trying to do the best at whatever God will be calling you to do for Him on that particular day. If you can learn how to keep this kind of mindset, you will be less likely to throw pity parties when things do not go the way you think they should.

3. Study this next verse very carefully as it really applies to your situation

"A man's heart plans his way, but the Lord directs his steps." (Proverbs 16:9)

What this verse means is that at times you will have to plan things out, try to figure things out, start testing things out. As you are doing all of this, God will then direct your steps as you are walking them out, and before you know it, you will then end up at the place where God will want you to be at.

This verse perfectly fits into what you are dealing with right now on your job situation. You now have to seek after this next new job, but as you are in the process of seeking after this next new job – God will make sure that He perfectly guides your steps all the way so that you can then land in the next job that He will want you to have. You will thus find it as you are seeking after it.

4. Here is another very powerful verse that will tell us that God will provide us with His divine protection if we are willing to listen to Him and follow His ways.

"But whoever listens to me will dwell safely, and will be secure, without fear of evil." (Proverbs 1:33)

Notice the words "listen to me." God leads – you follow. If you do, then God will give you safe and secure dwelling in this life and protection from evil things!

This is a very powerful promise for all believers. Many Christians find themselves in one dire circumstance after another as a result of not listening to God and doing what He wants them to be doing with their lives.

- 5. The next 5 verses will tell you that God will now be fully guiding your steps in this life.
 - 1. "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and **He shall direct your paths**." (Proverbs 3:5)
 - 2. Thus says the Lord, Your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel: "I am the Lord your God, who teaches you to profit, who leads you by the way you should go." (Isaiah 48:17)
 - 3. "I will instruct you and teach you in the way should go; I will guide you with My eye." (Psalm 32:8)
 - 4. "For this is God, our God forever and ever; He will be our guide even to death." (Psalm 48:14)
 - 5. "The Lord will guide you continually ..." (Isaiah 58:11)

Notice the specific words that God will "guide you continually, be our guide even to death, guide you with His eye, leads you by the way you should go, teaches you to profit, instructs you and directs your paths."

These are extremely powerful words. All of these verses make it very clear that it is God's job to fully guide and direct your steps in this life. And all of this is given to you free of charge. This is why you can let go and let God. This is why the Bible tells us that we can now cast **all** of our burdens and cares upon the Lord – because it is now His job to take full and complete care of all of us from the moment we fully surrender everything over to Him.

- **6.** This next verse now goes one step further and specifically tells us that it is **not** our responsibility to direct our own steps in this life that this responsibility now belongs to God and God alone!
- "O Lord, I know the way of man is not in himself; it is not in man who walks to direct his own steps." (Jeremiah 10:23)

Put this verse together with all of the other ones listed above – and it becomes quite clear that it is God's job to direct our steps in this life – not ours!

- 7. This next verse is especially for you. Notice the last sentence where it tells you to trust in God, to wait patiently for Him, and that He will bring it to pass!
- "Delight yourself also in the Lord, and He shall give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the Lord, trust also in Him, and He shall bring it to pass ... Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for Him." (Psalm 37:4,7)

Conclusion

Until that happens, do what the last verse says to do – "**Rest in the Lord.**" Otherwise you will drive yourself crazy with all of the nervous energy that will start to eat at you and rob you of your peace and joy that you now have in the Lord. When it is all said and done, you will look back on all of this and see that you had wasted a tremendous amount of negative energy, since it will have been shown to you that God finally came through for you.

God will come through time and time again without fail. There is a saying that many have heard – "God is never late, but He is never early." This means that God will come in with the breakthrough on His time schedule – not ours! The Bible is truly the infallible Word of our Holy God, and you can totally and completely depend on what all of the above Scripture verses are trying to tell you.

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John 6:40

"Believe, and You are Saved"

John 6:40 KJV And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day.

Ephesians 1: 5-12

"Praise His Glory"

Ephesians 5:1-12 KJV Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children; (2) And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour. (3) But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints; (4) Neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks. (5) For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God. (6) Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience. (7) Be not ye therefore partakers with them. (8) For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light: (9) (For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth;) (10) Proving what is acceptable unto the Lord. (11) And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them. (12) For it is a shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret.

Ephesians 5:1-20

"Live in His Grace"

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Ephesians 6:5-8

"Be Obedient"

Ephesians 6:5-8 KJV Servants, be obedient to them that are your masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in singleness of your heart, as unto Christ; (6) Not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart; (7) With good will doing service, as to the Lord, and not to men: (8) Knowing that whatsoever good thing any man doeth, the same shall he receive of the Lord, whether he be bond or free.

2 Corinthians 8:1-7

"Give Graciously"

2 Corinthians 8:1-7 KJV (1) Moreover, brethren, we do you to wit of the grace of God bestowed on the churches of Macedonia; (2) How that in a great trial of affliction the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty abounded unto the riches of their liberality. (3) For to their power, I bear record, yea, and beyond their power they were willing of themselves; (4) Praying us with much intreaty that we would receive the gift, and take upon us the fellowship of the ministering to the saints. (5) And this they did, not as we hoped, but first gave their own selves to the Lord, and unto us by the will of God. (6) Insomuch that we desired Titus, that as he had begun, so he would also finish in you the same grace also. (7) Therefore, as ye abound in every thing, in faith, and utterance, and knowledge, and in all diligence, and in your

love to us, see that ye abound in this grace also.

1 Thessalonians 5:11-18

"Pray Unceasingly"

1 Thessalonians 5:11-18 KJV (11) Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do. (12) And we beseech you, brethren, to know them which labour among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you; (13) And to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake. And be at peace among yourselves. (14) Now we exhort you, brethren, warn them that are unruly, comfort the feebleminded, support the weak, be patient toward all men. (15) See that none render evil for evil unto any man; but ever follow that which is good, both among yourselves, and to all men. (16) Rejoice evermore. (17) Pray without ceasing. (18) In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

1 Peter 2:15

"Make Continued Progress"

1 Peter 2:15 KJV For so is the will of God, that with well doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men:

1 Peter 4:1-7 and 19

"Keep Sane and Sober"

1 Peter 4:1-7 KJV Forasmuch then as Christ hath suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves likewise with the same mind: for he that hath suffered in the flesh hath ceased from sin; (2) That he no longer should live the rest of his time in the flesh to the lusts of men, but to the will of God. (3) For the time past of our life may suffice us to have wrought the will of the Gentiles, when we walked in lasciviousness, lusts, excess of wine, revellings, banquetings, and abominable idolatries: (4) Wherein they think it strange that ye run not with them to the same excess of riot, speaking evil of you: (5) Who shall give account to him that is ready to judge the quick and the dead. (6) For for this cause was the gospel preached also to them that are dead, that they might be judged according to men in the flesh, but live according to God in the spirit. (7) But the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer. ...

1 Peter 4:19 KJV Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls to him in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator..

Colossians 1:9-12

"Bear Fruit"

Colossians 1:9-12 KJV For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; (10) That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being

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fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God; (11) Strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness; (12) Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light:

Colossians 4:12

"Be His Servant"

Colossians 4:12 KJV Epaphras, who is one of you, a servant of Christ, saluteth you, always labouring fervently for you in prayers, that ye may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God.

1 John 2:15-17

"Do Not Be Conformed to this Age"

1 John 2:15-17 KJV Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. (16) For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. (17) And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

Romans 8:27-31

"Hear Your Calling"

Romans 8:27-31 KJV And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the mind of the Spirit, because he maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God. (28) And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose. (29) For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren. (30) Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified. (31) What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?

Romans 12:1-21

"Do not repay Evil for Evil"

Romans 12:1-21 KJV 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. (2) 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. (3) For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of

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faith. (4) For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office: (5) So we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another. (6) Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith; (7) Or ministry, let us wait on our ministering: or he that teacheth, on teaching; (8) Or he that exhorteth, on exhortation: he that giveth, let him do it with simplicity; he that ruleth, with diligence; he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness. (9) Let love be without dissimulation. Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good. (10) Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another; (11) Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord; (12) Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer; (13) Distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality. (14) Bless them which persecute you: bless, and curse not. (15) Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep. (16) Be of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits. (17) Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men. (18) If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. (19) Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. (20) Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. (21) Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

Romans 15:30-33

"Pray for Your Brothers"

Romans 15:30-33 KJV Now I beseech you, brethren, for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake, and for the love of the Spirit, that ye strive together with me in your prayers to God for me; (31) That I may be delivered from them that do not believe in Judaea; and that my service which I have for Jerusalem may be accepted of the saints; (32) That I may come unto you with joy by the will of God, and may with you be refreshed. (33) Now the God of peace be with you all. Amen.

Hebrews 10:35-39

"Be Tough, but Patient"

Hebrews 10:35-39 KJV Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompence of reward. (36) For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise. (37) For yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry. (38) Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him. (39) But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul.

Mark 3:35

"Be a Part of the Family of God"

Matthew 18: 11-14

"Try to Save Your Brother"

Matthew 11:1-14 KJV And it came to pass, when Jesus had made an end of commanding his twelve disciples, he departed thence to teach and to preach in their cities. (2) Now when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples, (3) And said unto him, Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another? (4) Jesus answered and said unto them, Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see: (5) The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them. (6) And blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in me. (7) And as they departed, Jesus began to say unto the multitudes concerning John, What went ye out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken with the wind? (8) But what went ye out for to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? behold, they that wear soft clothing are in kings' houses. (9) But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? yea, I say unto you, and more than a prophet. (10) For this is he, of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee. (11) Verily I say unto you, Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist: notwithstanding he that is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he. (12) And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force. (13) For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John. (14) And if ye will receive it, this is Elias, which was for to come.

1 Thessalonians 4:1-8

"Abstain from Immorality"

1 Thessalonians 4:1-8 KJV (1) Furthermore then we beseech you, brethren, and exhort you by the Lord Jesus, that as ye have received of us how ye ought to walk and to please God, so ye would abound more and more. (2) For ye know what commandments we gave you by the Lord Jesus. (3) For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication: (4) That every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour; (5) Not in the lust of concupiscence, even as the Gentiles which know not God: (6) That no man go beyond and defraud his brother in any matter: because that the Lord is the avenger of all such, as we also have forewarned you and testified. (7) For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness. (8) He therefore that despiseth, despiseth not man, but God, who hath also given unto us his holy Spirit.

Ephesians 5, 15-17

"Be Wise"

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