

"My Will or Thy Will?" What's God's Will Series Pastor Mark 1.29.23

"<u>I WILL</u> ascend to heaven. <u>I WILL</u> raise my throne. <u>I WILL</u> sit enthroned on the mount assembly. <u>I WILL</u> ascend above the tops of the clouds. <u>I WILL</u> make myself like the Most High." Isaiah 14:13-14

## 3 phases that move us toward the surrendered life:

## Phase #1: You want what you want NOW.

- "Now Sarai, Abram's wife, had borne him no children. But she had an Egyptian maidservant named Hagar; so she said to Abram, 'The Lord has kept me from having children. Go, sleep with my maidservant; perhaps I can build a family through her.' "Genesis 16:1-2
- In Scripture, happiness is **NOT** the bottom line in our lives, **HOLINESS** is!
  - "MANY are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the LORD'S purpose that prevails." Proverbs 19:21

## Phase #2: You want what God wants, BUT.....

- "Jesus looked at him and <u>LOVED</u> him. 'One thing you lack,' Jesus said, 'Go, sell everything you have and give it to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.' At this the man's face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth." Mark 10:21-22
  - The rich, young man wanted to follow Jesus, BUT he wanted to do it on his own terms.
  - "There are those who claim to know God, but by their ACTIONS they DENY HIM." Titus 1:16

## Phase #3: You want what GOD wants, PERIOD!

- "Then Jesus said to them all: If anyone would come after me, he must <u>DENY HIMSELF</u> and <u>TAKE</u> UP HIS CROSS DAILY and FOLLOW ME." Luke 9:23
- "My Father, if it is possible, may this cup of suffering be taken rom me. Yet not as I will, <u>BUT AS YOU</u> <u>WILL</u>." Matthew 26:39
- "Delight yourself in <u>THE LORD</u> and he will give you the <u>DESIRES OF YOUR HEART</u>." Psalm 37:4
  - After you become one with Jesus by delighting yourself in His presence, your heart reflects <u>HIS</u> desires!