

THE WILL OF GOD

This is one of the greatest sources of concern for the committed Christian - "Am I in the will of God?" In *Knowing God*, J. I. Packer claims that finding the will of God is a problem for many Christians, not because they doubt that God guides His children, but because they are sure that He does. What worries them is whether or not they are receptive to the guidance that God offers. This study will give your small group members the appropriate principles to knowing and walking in God's will.

Timeline:

- 1 **1 Week Out** - -Start by asking the small group members to read *Finding the Will of God* by Joe Zickafoose the week before (either hand it out in the previous small group meeting, or email it to them.)
- 2 **2 Days Out** - - You should read "*Finding the Will of God*".
- 3 **1 Day Out** - - You should read "*Knowing God's Will*" by Pratney.
- 4 **The Day Of** - - You should study the Will of God Discussion Notes and the handout (there are 2 options for the handout - one of which includes a detailed section on God's methods of revealing His will, the other does not) so that you will be ready to teach in the small group meeting.

In the Actual Small Group Meeting :

Teach from the Will of God discussion notes. Have ideas for a practical response - such as:

- Prayer for specific situations in the lives of your small group members (family/ friends / roommates)
- Accountability - Ask the members who they could seek advice from concerning their decision.

Follow-up: (probably in 1-on-1's)

Try to remember the specific situation or decision your members are praying for - and ask them about them often.

Resources:

Books:

God's Perfect Will by G. Campbell Morgan
Youth Aflame by Winkie Pratney