

Sermon Notes

When We Pray, Pray This Way

#3 – “God’s Will” – Matthew 6:10

I. Introduction

A. The Will of God.

1. Controversial aspect of God’s nature.
2. Misconceptions.

B. The will of God is so significant that it is included in Jesus’ model for prayer.

1. Matthew 6:10
2. Noted in the first message. Framed as the Moral Law in Exodus.

- a. Duty to God
- b. Duty to Man

3. Why do we hesitate to pray?

- a. First: _____
- b. Second: _____
- c. Third: _____

C. Jesus’ answers the above concerns in this prayer.

1. Two principles:

- a. One: _____
- b. Two: _____

II. Exposition

A. Matthew 6:10

1. Kingdom as central to Jesus’ message.
 - a. Mark 1:14-15; Luke 4:47; Luke 8:1a
2. Jesus spoke of the kingdom in three ways.
 - a. Kingdom as existing in the P_____
 1. Luke 13:28; Matthew 8:11-12
 - b. Kingdom as existing in the P_____

1. Luke 17:21

c. Kingdom as existing in the F_____

1. Matthew 6:10

3. BASILEIA – Kingdom.

4. “Come”

a. Matthew 24:27

b. Never advanced through the K_____ of this W_____.

1. John MacArthur

5. Kingdom Come – a F_____ revealing of God’s sovereign R_____ over the world.

a. Yet we see it dimly – I Corinthians 13:12.

6. The curtain pulled back.

7. “Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.”

a. Parallelism.

1. William Barclay.

2. Examples: Ps. 46:1, 7; Ps. 23:1-2

b. God’s will.

1. Revealed

2. Hidden

a. Deuteronomy 29:29

3. Hidden or Sovereign Will

a. A. W. Pink

b. Isaiah 14:24; Ps. 115:3; 22:28

4. Example today of how God’s revealed will is disobeyed.

We must maintain the distinction.

III. Points for Reflection

- A. Praying for the revealing of God’s kingdom and His will be done is to cry out as David or as saints before God’s altar.
- B. Praying for God’s will to be done is also a prayer for God’s will to become our will.
- C. The value of the kingdom is infinite, and we have a taste of it now.