

IN GOD WE TRUST - MESSAGE OUTLINE

Introduction - *Four Willpowers Needed for Victory - God's Will, Your Power*

The bigger the issue you overcome, and the harder it was, the more it builds trust and points to God.

In Psalm 18, the verb form of I *will*… David only says it four times:

1. I *will* trust (v. 2)
2. I *will* call (v.3)
3. I *will* love (v.1)
4. I *will* give thanks (v.49)

Question: Is a victorious life like David had, possible for me?

First Willpower - *Trust God…*

2 The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer; My God, my strength, in whom I will trust

Psalm 18:30 *As for God, His way is perfect; The word of the Lord is proven; He is a shield to all who trust in Him.* Notice the word <u>all</u>.

Jeremiah 29:11, I often wondered if that verse is really for us today. *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.* Am I the "you" in that verse?

Important Point: All benefits in life comes by the grace of God, who has mercy upon those who trust in Him. It's all about trust.

The **First Willpower** is: I'm *gonna* _____**…** every step of the way.

Second Willpower - *Call Out To God…*

3 I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised; So shall I be saved from my enemies.

Important Point: God is the author of each one of our lives, and everything is occurring according to His purposes.

For in Him we live and move and have our being in God. **Acts 17:28a**

Important Point: God is a holy God, perfectly righteous. In order to build a relationship with Him, you need to approach Him in righteousness.

But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things [the things you need in life] *shall be added* [given] *to you.* **Matthew 6:33**

16 You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you. **John 15:16**

[Christ] *has made us kings and priests to God His and Father*. **Revelation 1:6**

By believing in Jesus Christ, you are made righteous and royal by His payment on the cross. The moment you trust in the Son of God, your righteousness surpasses even David's. You more than qualify, and you cannot be dis-qualified. God qualifies you, and no one can take it away. No one.

And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose. **Romans 8:28**

I waited patiently for the Lord; And He inclined to me, And heard my cry. When you wait, you allow the Author of Life to write you into His story. **Psalm 40:1**

The **Second Willpower** is - I'm *gonna* _____**…** and wait patiently.

Third Willpower - *Love*

1 I will love You, O Lord, my strength.

Question: Do you ever feel you have been at something for years, but nothing changes and things sometimes even get worse?

Matthew 11:28 *Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.* Do you know what he says right after this? *Learn from me*. Learn from me why I do what I do. Why did He go to the cross? Because He loved God and He loved us

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28 Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.
29 Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am [a]gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Matthew 11:28-29

The **Third Willpower** - I'm *gonna* _____**...** God and His people.

Fourth Willpower - *Give Thanks*

49 Therefore I will give thanks to You, O Lord, among the Gentiles, And sing praises to Your name.

Important Point: Everything is working together towards the goal of salvation.

Victories are given by God, to people, for the purpose of salvation, and victories are also given to people who affect another's salvation.

The Fourth **Willpower** I'm *gonna*_____ to the Lord today, for what He has already done, and will do forevermore!

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