

## **Reflecting the Principle through Self Evaluation**

### **Life Principle #5**

*God does not require us to understand His will, just obey it, even if it seems unreasonable.*

- Has God ever told you to do something that looked totally unreasonable? How did you respond? Did you decide to do whatever He said regardless or were you disobedient and followed your own reason?
- Where do you end up when you disobey God's direction? Think of particular situations in your life.
- Think of how God has shown Himself in your life before. With this knowledge, what makes you not follow God's will today? List them and present them to God in prayer for healing.
- Do you argue with God and disobey His will through your actions?

## How does the will of God work?

- **The Father has a specific plan for your life.**
- **You may consider yourself unimportant, but no one is insignificant in God's eyes.**
- **The Father has equipped you to fulfill your calling.** He will never call you to something and then not enable you to do it.
- **The Lord reveals His will in small areas and larger ones.** When you submit to God's will in daily choices, it's easy to obey Him when faced with bigger decisions.

## How can you discover the will of God?

- **Open His Word and start reading.** The Spirit will lead you by bringing a passage of Scripture to your attention.
- **Ask God to speak to your heart.** You may hear an answer quickly, or it might take time before you are ready to hear His voice.
- **Watch how the Lord works through circumstances.** He can speak to us through opportunities as well as obstacles.
- **Listen to godly counsel.** Wise people will advise you with wisdom from God's Word.
- **Be patient.** If the Father doesn't answer you immediately, take it as a sign that you don't need to know yet. He may be setting the stage for a future blessing.