

Do You Have the Will?

Part 1

Slide Notations

L.A. “Do we have the will to intervene?” Small issue, necessary action... “Small foxes spoil the vines!”
SOS 2.15

“If we have the will to bring our denomination back to founding truths and founder’s principles we won’t have to...”

“But if we do not intervene we will be a fallen denomination just like our Lutheran, Presbyterian, and Episcopalian brothers within ten years!”

What happened in L.A... Didn’t stay in L.A... It awakened a truth... Unless we constantly intervene in the flow of our lives... And have the will to challenge and change the way we live... We will be in danger of compromised living!

What is happening @ Life... “Do we have the will to challenge and change what we’re doing?” “If we inherited the church, as is, what would we keep, fix, discard?” Visited last week! Happy w/people things, Unhappy w/physical plant. Begun Departmental makeovers

What will happen to you? “Do you have the will to challenge and change what you’re doing?” “If you inherited your life right now, as is, what godly things would you do to intervene and make it better?”

...To have a better marriage? If you inherited your wife/husband today, in the shape they are in, DYHTW to... Honor, respect, live w/them according to knowledge of God! **1Pet 3.6,7** Love, sacrifice, wash, care, feed! **E5.22ff** Love and carry no bitterness **Col3.19, Titus 2.4**

“Everyone is made to respond to love – no response from your mate often means they aren’t feeling loved...”

...To be a better parent? If you inherited a home with the kids that are there today, DYHTW to... Repent for the past/distraction - **Pr22.6** Bring them up training/warnings of the Lord/the way they should go! **E5.4** Pass on vital faith/information so they can meet the challenges ahead! **Joel 1.3** Make a way! **Mt19.14**

...To be a better friend? If you surveyed the condition of your friends hearts today, DYHTW to... Pull them out of the fire because of your compassion and fear? **Jude 23** Stop running w/them to model the way of salvation? **1Pet4.1-5 R11.14** Use all means to save some? **1Cor 9.22, 10.33**

...To be a better worker? If you got your job, brand new today, DYHTW to... honor God with the tithe for the power to get wealth? **Mal 3.10 Deut 8.18** work, not with eye service, but as slaves to Christ, doing God’s will from the heart? **E6.5,6** Knowing it’s from Him you receive the reward! **Col3.24**

...To be a better citizen? If you came to America today, as a heart-soaked believer... Would you mourn and pray for the brokenness of your country? **Neh1.4** Would you be willing to stump for issues/God? **2.1-9** Would you work to turn things around? **3-13**

...To be a better Church member? If you came to Life Church today... Would you be willing to serve others until gone? **Mt 24.44-51 25.31-40 Ph2.7-8** Would you find a ministry not being done and do it? **Gen 41.33-39** Pass the “separate and skillful” test! Would you be part of the solutions and not of the problems? **Mt5.24 2C5.18-20**

...To have stronger faith? Do you have the will to sit down and devise a plan to get the Word in you? **J5.24** He who hears the word and believes Him who sent Me has crossed over from death to life! **J6.63** The words I have spoken are spirit and life! **J8.51** If anyone keeps My words he will never see death!

...To have stronger faith? Do you have the will to sit down and devise a plan to get the Word in you? **J14.10** The words I speak are not just My own, they are the Father's, living in Me! **J14.23** If anyone loves Me he will obey My teachings! **Mt23.35** This heaven and this earth will pass away but My words will never pass away!

...To have stronger faith? DYHTW to rise up in the spirit and put down the flesh? **R13.14** Make no provision for the flesh to fulfill its lusts! **Gal 5.16,17** Walk in the Spirit and you won't fulfill the lust of the flesh. The flesh wars against the Spirit, and they are contrary to one another!

...To have stronger faith? DYHTW to rise up in the spirit and put down the flesh? **R8.1** There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ, not walking after the flesh but after the Spirit! To be carnally minded is death – but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. So mortify the deeds of the flesh and live!

...To have stronger faith? DYHTW to open up and invite tested friends in to help you? **Pr11.14** Where there is no counsel, people fail, but in a multitude of counselors there is safety! **15.22 24.6 Pr27.17** iron sharpens iron so a man sharpens the countenance of his friend!

Proverbs 27.17 Like iron sharpen iron, so interactivity stirs, encourages, provokes, quickens, arouses, influences and turns the face, changes the view-point, of your friends!

“Along with a desire to love, know and serve God, we must have the will to do whatever it takes to live for Him!”

“We must have the will to be remade; to start with a blank sheet and ask ourselves what would I have to do, keep, and discard to be found safe, faithful and able!”