

**If your heart's desire is to please the Lord, the Lord will usually let you do as you please.**



**O**UR PERSONAL DESIRES IN A MATTER ARE OFTEN A FAIRLY GOOD INDICATOR OF THE LORD'S WILL FOR US, because as long as our motives are right, He gives us what we want and have faith for. "Delight yourself also in the Lord, and He shall give you the desires of your heart" (Psalm 37:4). "According to your faith let it be to you" (Matthew 9:29).

The Lord is able to help you *want* to do what *He* wants you to do. If a certain thing is God's will for you and you're open and yielded to what He wants, He will give you an inner conviction about it—what is sometimes called "the witness of the Spirit." This is how God often works: He gives different people desires for different ministries and mission fields, and then He gives them faith to see through what they and He want done.

If you love the Lord, your personal desires are usually the right ones because you only want to please Him. So delight yourself in the Lord most of all, and seek to do His will. When you do, it is His delight to also give you the desires of your own heart, because He's the One who puts them there when you're pleasing Him.