

**Making application from the message to life:**

5) Indecision is often difficult for people. How would you disciple them to understand God's freedom in making decisions?

6) How would you disciple a young person to understand how to choose a mate within God's will? What are at least five considerations that should be made regarding general understanding and specifics?

7) How much should a person study Scripture before making a decision? How would you disciple someone to not become parallelized from fear in making the wrong decision?

***God's Will: Freedom to Choose***

***Romans 14***

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1 Thes. 3:1-2; Phil. 2:25-26

**How do you decide?**

**1) You can restrict yourself for God's holiness 1 Cor. 9:19-22**

- Lev. 11:3, 7 vs. 1 Cor. 10:27

- Num. 6:1-8

- 1 Cor. 9:19-22

**2) God gives you freedom to choose within His holy will  
Rom. 14:1-5**

**3) Freedom requires responsibility and accountability  
Rom. 14: 7-10,12**

### Message Based Discussion Questions

#### 4) Pursue wisdom from God's Word by His Spirit Jam. 1:5-8

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- Heb. 5:12-14 (John 16:13)

### *The Lord Jesus gives you freedom within His sovereign, holy will!*

- God's sovereignty does not exclude your need to know His word.
- Wisdom from Scripture will guide you to His holy will.
- God gives open doors for service, not specific guidance. If he gave specifics, you'd depend on the circumstances instead of on Him.

- 1) How does the world teach people to make decisions? How do you perceive that they work?

#### **Digging Deeper:**

- 2) Is there a difference between legalism and voluntary restrictions (cf. Num. 6:1-8; Rom. 14:5-10)? \_\_\_\_\_ How would you describe the differences? How does one become the other or become confusing to young believers? What principles should you consider?
  
- 3) Was Gideon directed by the Angel of the Lord on what to do? \_\_\_\_\_ What were the directions (Judg. 6:7-14)? Why did Gideon 'fleece' the Lord? Did God give Gideon the answer he requested? Why is that an invalid practice today?
  
- 4) Does God direct the Old Testament believers to give a free will offering (cf. Lev. 22:18)? \_\_\_\_\_ When an Israelite made a vow before the Lord, does the person still have the option to keep it (cf. Deut. 23:21-23; Ecc. 5:4-5; Num. 30:2)?