

## Life Group Discussion Questions

**Sermon Series:** Pray Like Jesus

**Sermon Title:** Part 4 – Joining God’s Agenda

**Sermon Date:** 1-27-19

**Gospel Gain:** Trust, adjust and do God’s will.

### Gathering Together (Icebreaker)

What decisions would you consider to be the larger, more significant decisions to make in a person’s life? When you have a bigger decision to make, what have you found helpful to sort out the best option or direction to pursue?

### Growing Together (Truth/Equipping)

In this series we desire to take a fresh look at a familiar prayer that Jesus taught to his disciples. The Lord’s Prayer has much to teach us. Each week we will take a phrase of the prayer and seek to apply it to our daily life. Today’s message is about God’s will.

***Matthew 6:9-13 - Pray then like this: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.  
<sup>10</sup> Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. <sup>11</sup> Give us this day our daily bread, <sup>12</sup> and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. <sup>13</sup> And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.***

The beginning of the Lord’s Prayer is a focus on God’s name, God’s kingdom and God’s will. We want to live in such a way that we will not dishonor God’s name, delay God’s kingdom or disturb God’s will on earth.

What comes to mind when you see the phrase – ***your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven?***

What are the reasons that someone might forget to do God’s will in their life?

What are the potential barriers that would cause someone to wrestle with following God’s will?

What might motivate someone to follow God’s will in their life?

What characteristics about God inspire trust in His plan for your life?

**Read:** *Job 28:12, 20, 23-28*

What do you know about Job and his life circumstances?

What about God's wisdom encouraged Job to trust God's plan?

What can we learn about Job's situation when it comes time for us to seek God's will with an area of need or direction in our own life?

Pastor Jon shared some things to consider when determining God's will. Which of these, on the list below, has been helpful to you and why?

- Pray about the topic.
- Study Biblical principles about the topic.
- Interview someone who has faced the same decision.
- God is always at work around us.
- See where God is working and join Him.
- Follow God by taking one step at a time.

**Read:** *Romans 8:31-32*

What does this passage tell us about God and His plan for us?

How have you observed God's love at work in your life?

**Read:** *Matthew 26:36-46*

What do you see in Jesus as He wrestles with the reality of crucifixion on the cross?

What does Jesus model about following God's will?

In what ways is Jesus willing to trust, adjust and then do God's will?

What can we learn from the example that Jesus provides?

**Getting Real with One Another** (Accessibility)

How can we help each other pursue God's will in our life?

**Group Prayer Time** (Supplication)

Share some prayer requests and then pray for one another.

Pray that Oakwood Church would continue to develop a passion for God and compassion for people.