

1. When it comes to making decisions in life, how do you usually decide what to do? How is God a part of your decision-making? Are there decisions that God doesn't need to be involved in? What determines when you involve God?

We learned that God's Will in your life is more about who you are becoming and less about the decisions you are making – what's that mean? Does that mean I can make decisions flippantly? Is God more concerned about my heart in the decision than the decision itself?

2. Read **James 4:13-17**.

:: James presents us with 4 varying responses to the Will of God: Ignorance, Obedience, Arrogance and Disobedience. Which one(s) have you experienced? Which one are you currently living by?

:: Saying "if the Lord wills" is really an attitude of the heart. How can I cultivate that kind of attitude in my heart and my way of life? How does prayer change me? (consider **Matthew 6:10**).

When I am praying for God's Will to be done, what am I saying? Why can we struggle with praying God's Will be done in our lives? How is that response potentially reflecting a wrong view of God and displaying a faith that maybe is not real?

:: How can the Word of God reveal God's Will? What does a person do if they want to know if they should, for instance: take an open job position, move to a new location, or choose a spouse? How can God's Word help in discerning the Will of God? What about prayer?

:: When we talk about God's General Will for your life, what's that mean? What about God's Specific Will, what's that mean? How does living by God's General Will for your life help in discerning God's Specific Will for your life?

:: What can I specifically apply to my life this week that will help me to be obedient to the Will of God?



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Who's the Boss?, Pt 2 - James 4:13-17

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WEDNESDAYS 6:00PM KIDSTOWN & REFUGE <small>(NO Kidstown last Wednesday of the month)</small>	
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UPCOMING AT NORTHAMPTON

WELCOME TO NORTHAMPTON!

We're glad you've decided to join us online or in-person! We want you to know that you are welcome here! Please take the time to fill out our online Connection Card and download the Church Center App to stay connected! Thanks for joining in!

MEDIA & TECH HELP

If you have video and sounds skills, we'd love to connect you in with the media and tech team. This important area helps to make Sunday morning happen, both in-person and online! Please let us know if you're interested by emailing us at media@nbchurchcf.org!

WORSHIP LEADER UPDATE

Larry and Melissa have informed the leadership that he has officialy stepped down as the worship leader at Northampton and are moving on for personal reasons. We are thankful for the many faithful years of service for both he and Melissa and pray for them in this transition!

DIRECTOR OF STUDENT MINISTRY

We are still determining the driection for this position as we wait for finances to continue to improve. We are thankful for the current Student Ministry Leadership Team that is in place and leading the ministry well through this time.

GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP NIGHT

Join us for a night of prayer, worship and encouragement from God's Word as we focus our hearts on trusting God in the quiet. We will have childcare for birth through kindergarten so families can take part in this special time! Join us at 6:00pm on Friday, April 7!

EASTER BREAKFAST

At 9:30 on Easter Sunday morning we will share in breakfast together. Sign-up in the Church Center App so we can have enough food prepared. This is a great opportunity to invite family and friends!

SPRING CLEAN-UP

Save the date! Plan to join us on Saturday, April 8 at 9:00am to do some spring cleaning at the church (i.e. inside and outside cleaning). Sign-up in the app!

MESSAGE NOTES

PASTOR JOE PRYOR

Who's the Boss?

James 4:13-17

God's will is more about **WHO** you're becoming and less about the **DECISIONS** you make.

When it comes to God's Will, I am either:

- (1) Living in **IGNORANCE** (v13-14)
- (2) Living in **OBEDIENCE** (v 15)
- (3) Living in **ARROGANCE** (v16)
- (4) Living in **DISOBEDIENCE** (v17)

How to Know the Will of God:

- (A) Through _____ (Matthew 6:10)
- (B) Through the _____ (2 Timothy 3:16)

God's General Will For Me Includes:

- ⋮ _____ (1 Timothy 2:3-4 & 2 Peter 3:9)
- ⋮ _____ **Life** (Ephesians 5:17-18)
- ⋮ _____ (1 Thessalonians 4:3-7)