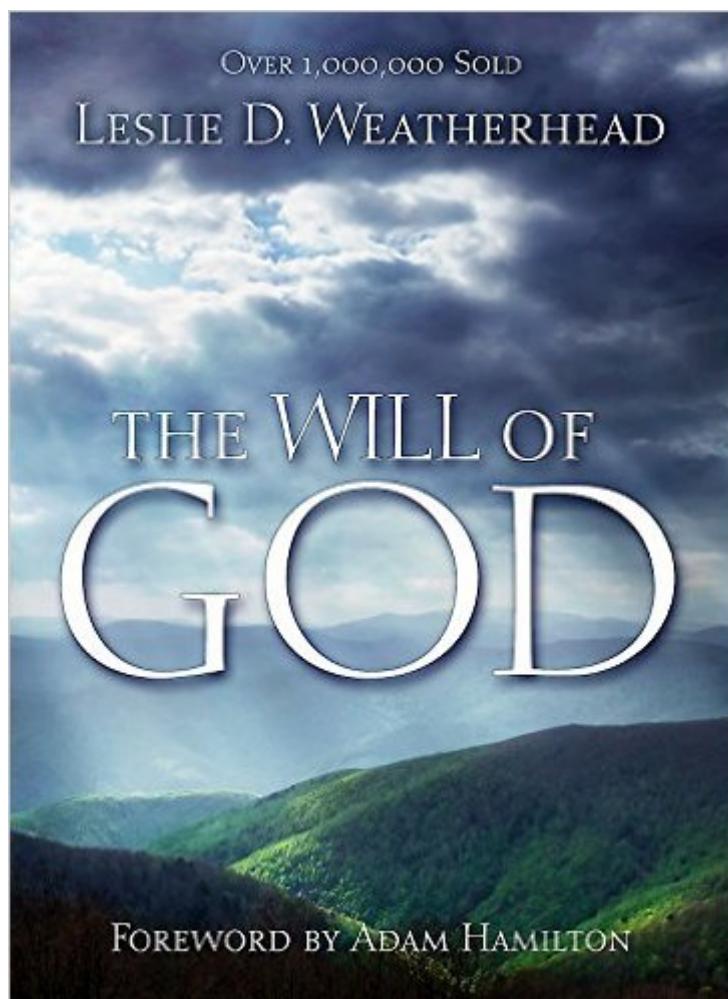


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# The Will Of God



## **Synopsis**

During the tumultuous era of World War II, the city of London shattered under unrelenting bombs dropped by Nazi Germany. Millions of buildings were destroyed or damaged, tens of thousands of civilians were killed, and survivors were left to ask: How can this destruction be part of Godâ™s plan? What is Godâ™s will in all of this? After City Temple in London was reduced to rubble, Rev. Leslie Weatherhead crafted five sermons on understanding the will of God to help his congregation endure religious doubt as their cityâ™ and churchâ™ crumbled around them. Weatherheadâ™s sermons were eventually published as The Will of God, a resource that has sold more than a million copies and has been a lifeline for grieving persons seeking to understand Godâ™s purpose for their pain. This revised edition of the classic book includes background information and photos of the historical setting that inspired this book, and a new cover and layout to refresh a timeless messageâ™ both for new readers and returning fans.

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## **Customer Reviews**

The Will of God was written in 1944, but remains relevant today for anyone interested in a God that is more than an oversimplified, superstitious way to avoid the pain associated with the hard realities of life. "These are days full of loss and pain, of suffering and sorrow. But they are not days of waste," the Reverend Leslie Weatherhead tells us. This little book ---- only 85 pages --- offers a simple but powerful way to reconcile genuine faith with thoughtful intelligence. Since it is our response to the circumstances of life, rather than the circumstances themselves, that determine whether or not these are "days of waste," Reverend Weatherhead's paradigm for understanding the

relationship between God's will and man's will is a valuable tool to help us improve the quality of that response in the face of everything from the catastrophic to the most mundane of circumstances. The five chapters of *The Will of God* were originally five sermons written and delivered by Reverend Weatherhead, but it is not necessary to be a Christian to benefit from the wisdom here. In fact, there is nothing evangelical about the book. It is a lesson in practical spirituality, applicable to us all, and it will be as relevant in another sixty years as it is today. I suggest buying several copies at once to save on shipping --- you will want to share this one.

This is an outstanding book to begin to gain an understanding of our loving God and God's will for human beings. Though they sound simple they are deeply reaching and complex answers to the painful experiences in our personal lives and the world's events. All answers are not found here. What is found here is a greater understanding of our God, a God of love rather than wrath and punishment. It offers us a look at a God of grace who resides with us at all times and works within the activities of our lives and the world to overcome the evils we do to ourselves and all of God's creations. I hand this book out to all with whom I am in ministry and will continue to do so free of charge to them. I highly recommend it.

This book is an outstanding book for anyone who wants to gain an understanding on what God's will is. I have heard the term "the will of God" used when someone has suffered greatly. I thought how can it be God's will if someone has cancer? If it's God's will for someone to have cancer is that person going against God's will when they go through surgery and chemotherapy to fight the cancer? The answer is NO! This book distinguishes between the Intentional Will of God, the Circumstantial Will of God, and the Ultimate Will of God. This little book offers a simple but powerful way to reconcile genuine faith with thoughtful intelligence. I highly recommend this book for everyone.

I found this book to be wonderful. In my own walk with God, I have been struggling with trying to determine the will of God. This book helped me find answers to the questions I've been asking, and has me asking different questions. It is based on a series of sermons by Leslie Weatherhead given in the 1950's. This is not a book you breeze through. The material is very deep and the language is a bit different than today's, but is very thought provoking. I would highly recommend it.

The *Will of God* is a book that is not overwhelming for a person that is suffering a great loss in their

life. I have been handing this book out to many people that have suffered the loss of a loved one, or have had bad things happen in their lives, and it explains, without questioning the omnipotence of God, how God helps us deal with loss and how to help someone else. I recommend that every Christian buy this book!

Often we hear the phrase "will of God" being applied inappropriately - such as when a friend is killed in an auto accident. Though this book was written during WW II, its theme is just as relevant today as then. Weatherhead distinguishes between the Intentional Will of God, the Circumstantial Will of God, and the Ultimate Will of God. The book is very readable and when I have reviewed it for groups of people, there is an immediate positive response to what they have heard.

This is, by far, the most definitive explanation of God's will that I have ever come across. Perhaps that is why it is still so popular after almost 60 years on the market. There are several ecumenical, servant, Christian organizations that use this as one of their texts. To understand the will of God, try this.

In his slim volume, *The Will of God*, that has reached millions of readers, Dr. Weatherhead explains with blinding clarity just what is meant by the Will of God, a subject that has been more twisted, bent and badly used from the pulpit than nearly any other I can think of, and I am a pastor. Far too many believing Christians think that God sits at a giant computer screen and is responsible for every single last bad thing that happens to us from hurricanes to hangnails to house fires, from poison ivy to rain on the Sunday School picnic. You can read this book in under an hour, then be set free for the rest of your life. If you know someone struggling with something bad that has happened, give them this book . . . and rejoice!

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