

# STUDY GUIDE

## PASTOR JARED HERD - LIGHTHOUSE PART 1

This week Pastor Jared began a new Series entitled “Lighthouse: Discovering God’s Will.” When it comes to determining God’s Will, God is more like a Lighthouse than GPS. Pastor Jared reminded us that following the commands of Scripture passages like Philippians 4:8-9 is really what it means to do God’s Will.

As you reflect on Pastor Jared’s message, what resonated with you? What challenged you? What is the takeaway you will seek to apply to your life this week?

## BIBLE STUDY

**1. How would you define morals? What do the following passages teach us about God’s Moral Will for our lives?**

**Philippians 2:3-4** *3 Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, 4 not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.*

**1 Thessalonians 4:3-7** *3 It is God’s will that you should be sanctified: that you should avoid sexual immorality; 4 that each of you should learn to control your own body in a way that is holy and honorable, 5 not in passionate lust like the pagans, who do not know God; 6 and that in this matter no one should wrong or take advantage of a brother or sister. The Lord will punish all those who commit such sins, as we told you and warned you before. 7 For God did not call us to be impure, but to live a holy life. 8 Therefore, anyone who rejects this instruction does not reject a human being but God, the very God who gives you his Holy Spirit.*

**1 Thessalonians 5:15-18** *15 Make sure that nobody pays back wrong for wrong, but always strive to do what is good for each other and for everyone else. 16 Rejoice always, 17 pray continually, 18 give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.*

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## NOTES

## BIBLE STUDY

### 2. Define Sovereign. What do the following passages teach us about God's Sovereign Will?

**Psalm 102:12,15** *But you, Lord, sit enthroned forever; your renown endures through all generations. 15 The nations will fear the name of the Lord, all the kings of the earth will revere your glory.*

**Romans 14:11** *It is written: "As surely as I live," says the Lord, "every knee will bow before me; every tongue will acknowledge God."*

### 3. What does the following passage teach us about God's Individual Will for us? How are God's Moral and Sovereign Will like a lighthouse?

**Proverbs 3:5-6** *Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; 6 in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.*

## LIFE APPLICATION

For everyone: **Where are your thoughts and actions out of alignment with God's Moral Will? Where are your time, passion, and resources out of alignment with God's Sovereign Will? In what specific areas do you need to improve in living out Philippians 4:8-9?**

For those who are married: **How do God's Moral and Sovereign Will apply to your relationship with your spouse? What step(s) do you need to make to better live out His Moral and Sovereign Will in your marriage?**

### WHAT'S HAPPENING

#### Child Dedication

January 27/28

#### Baptism

February 3/4

#### CRB Discovery

Starts January 20/21

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### SERVE TOGETHER

Choose a weekend service to GREET together on the front porch as a group.

#### Community Care Pantry

January 18

#### Homeless Street Outreach

January 22

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**VOTW Philippians 4:8-9** *Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. 9 Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.*