

**“Doing God’s Will”  
(Romans 15:30-33)**

A look at Paul’s approach to following God reveals three essentials for doing His will. As you obey God’s revealed will in His Word, you will be better able to know and do His specific will for you. . .

**Depending on PRAYER (30)**

- **Urgency** of Prayer
- **Motivation** of Prayer
- **Hard Work** of Prayer

**Trusting in PROVIDENCE (31)**

- In Hearts of **Unbelievers** (31a)
- In Hearts of **Believers** (31b)

**Serving in PARTNERSHIP (32-33)**

- With **Fellow Believers** (32)
- With **God Himself** (33)

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**Small Group/Family Discussion Guide**

**Icebreaker:** Paul planned to do a hard task first, and then enjoy rest and refreshment with the brethren in Rome. Share about a task you labored at, and then enjoyed rest after the job was done.

1. Why can prayer be a struggle? What are some things that should motivate us to pray?
2. Why did Paul go to Jerusalem even though he knew he would likely be persecuted there? How can we find the courage to live for the Lord, even in the face of harassment?
3. Why was there a possibility that the Jewish believers might not accept the gift Paul delivered? How does this gift challenge us about sacrificial giving?
4. How do we see God’s sovereign/providential hand working together with man’s actions and responsibility as Paul goes to Jerusalem and eventually Rome? Why are both important?
5. What are some small group or one-on-one settings in which you find spiritual encouragement and refreshment?

**Small Group Prayer**

Include a “strive together with me” time for our missionaries by praying for them by name.

**Digging Deeper**

Read through some of Paul’s prayers (Ephesians 1:15-23; 3:14-21; Philippians 1:9-11; Colossians 1:9-14; 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13). What does Paul pray for? How can these prayers shape your prayer life?