

“The Will of God ... the Promise of Life in Christ Jesus”

Intro: In examining the first words of Paul’s last letter, let us consider the work and effect of _____ the Lord _____ Christ in the life of the Apostle Paul, in his disciple Timothy, and in all the church.

I. The promise of _____ Christ Jesus is the gospel of the Lord _____ Christ!

A. The true _____ of the Lord Jesus Christ brings saving faith, assurance of calling, confidence in the promise of life in Christ Jesus, and _____ in the believer’s steadfast Spirit-empowered _____ to the will of God, even in the face of persecution and execution.

B. The good news of the Lord Jesus _____ produces true _____ of Christ who are disciples and disciple-makers. The true Gospel of God works the love of Christ in us where we love those whom we _____ as our own child, considering their faith in Christ of greater importance than our sufferings and more precious than our life.

C. The _____ of our Lord Jesus Christ is the means by which God _____ His grace, mercy and peace to all who believe. As He grants the believer the faith to believe upon the Lord Jesus _____ so does the believer come to know and experience, both here and now, the grace, mercy and peace that is from above.

1. And finally, how will others know the promise of life in Christ Jesus unless as Paul told and disciplined Timothy we _____ others and _____ them in this precious truth? We must tell them for as the gospel teaches us this is the will of God for us in Christ Jesus.

Finally then: See how the gospel of Jesus effected Paul? Let the good news of the promise of _____ Christ _____ save and comfort you with that grace, mercy, and peace which comes from God above. And let that same gospel move you to deny yourself, pick up your cross and follow Jesus, being discipled and making disciples after the model Paul and Timothy. This is the will of God: that we _____
_____ the promise of life in Christ Jesus.

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