

EXAMPLES OF HOW GOD'S WAY IS THE BEST



What Are The Ways of God?

Obedience

His ways are in His word and commandments which are requirements as a Christian to live a godly life.

Deut. 10:12 Deut. 8:6

It's got to do with our relationship with Him, (by loving, serving, obeying Him) and our relationship with others.

His ways are perfect, true, and righteous and just, unlike the ways of this world which is full of corruption and injustice. Deut. 34:2

God's way produce lasting results and full of blessings unlike wicked and sinful ways which produce quick results which don't last. Psalm 92:4-7

God's way is always in contrast with the ways of the world and the flesh. Godless wisdom and insight are helpless against that of God's. Sometimes it may seem senseless and might go against the nature's law, when we decide to obey and go according to God's way. That's when we're rewarded with supernatural experiences. (Eg. Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego)

Doing things God's Way Vrs. the World's Way

For many people, their main desire is to prosper, become successful, powerful and get honor, drives them to achieve these by underhand methods of injustice and trampling on competitors. We do whatever it takes to get to the top. Desperate longings can tempt us to do desperate things and disobey God which has a great price to pay. Eccl 11:9 (The spirit of compromise)

James 1:14-15

Desire not submitted to Christ can make us to lose our sensibility, justify our behavior, and make excuses, which is very unattractive for God's children. When we give in to temptation, it often means we're not trusting Him to provide. As a result, we settle for crumbs, when God wants to give us an entire cake.

We must therefore commit all of our desires to God who is willing to give us the best.

Prov. 21:21 Prosperity and honor are by-products of righteousness, which is doing things God's Way.

The by-product of the worldly way is destruction/death, judgment. Prov. 14:12./Prov. 16:25

What God's Way Entails

- **Obedience:** Even if it requires consequences, we must stand up for God. To suffer for obedience to God or doing things God's way is far better than paying the price for disobedience or compromising. Obedience to God is true worship which is also rewarding. Obedience is better than sacrifice (compromise).
- **Waiting: Isaiah 40:31** This is one of the hardest especially when things seems not going the way it should after you have obeyed or shown to be a faithful servant. It requires patience and through that God builds our character to become more refined. But God always remembers His children, **Sarah and Abraham had to wait for years. Joseph had to serve years in slavery and prison.**
- **Trusting/Total Dependence: Prov. 3:5-6**
- **Standing Against/Overcoming Temptation:** Especially during the waiting period.
- **Not conforming to the worlds standards: Rom 12:2** Perfect will of God

Why God's Way Is The Best

- Lasting results, not short lived
- Rewarding
- Sets you above others in the long run.
- All things work together for good. Be it disappointments, failure, joy, hurts, success etc. just to place you where He has called you to be. (Perfect will)
- We are rest assured of God's hand in our ways even when trouble sets in.

CONCLUSION

Have godly values and never compromise them. Perhaps you're thinking, *This Scripture doesn't apply to my desires, because mine aren't evil. "I just want to be loved, accepted, successful and have meaning in my life. There's nothing wrong with that.*

There is nothing wrong with God-given desires, but when any longing is not submitted to Christ, it can still lead to disobedience, and therefore, the devastation that James 1:14-15 describes. Desires submitted to God will allow His perfect way in your life which is the best.