

PASSIVITY OF THE WILL

"God never wills instead of man." "There is a passivity of the will originating from a wrong conception of what full surrender to God means. In this condition (passivity) the believer may unknowingly rely upon the assistance of evil spirits which have brought about the condition for that purpose."

Without slavishly adopting them as "set prayers," prayer should be made upon these lines:

**That I may be taught by the Holy Spirit what is meant by full surrender of my will to God.

**That I may have the full use of my will for God.

**That God's Will for my will may be accomplished, and all hindrances removed.

**That I may accept all God-given light on everything that concerns my will.

**That I may know where I have been deceived by evil spirits for the purpose of their gaining control of my will.

**That all wrong conceptions of truth concerning the surrender of my will may be destroyed.

**That my whole nature – spirit, soul and body – and activities may be governed from the central helm of my will.

**That I may have light and grace to fulfill all the conditions that will enable God to energize my will through my spirit.

**That I may not knowingly or unknowingly drop my will into abeyance.

**That I may not allow my will to be suppressed or hindered in its right action, either directly or indirectly, by man or the enemy.

**That I may do nothing which, by my own reasoned consent, I do not choose to do.

**That I may know what is passivity and suppression of the will.

**That I may detect where, when and how I first wrongfully surrendered the use of my will.

**That all false interpretations and decisions forced by the enemy to hide the real causes of all interferences with my will may be exposed and destroyed.

**And wherever in the past I have wrongfully surrendered my will to the enemy, I now take it back and give it to God.

(The object of these petitions is that those who have – unthinkingly maybe – allowed their wills to become passive may "fight through" into freedom.)

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