## The Will of God

The prayer Jesus Taught us: Matthew 6:9-13

<sup>9</sup> "This, then, is how you should pray: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, <sup>10</sup> your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. <sup>11</sup> Give us today our daily bread. <sup>12</sup> And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. <sup>13</sup> And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.

Revelation chapter 4 and 5

- The throne of God and God. Rev. 4:2-3
- <sup>2</sup> At once I was in the Spirit, and there before me was a throne in heaven with someone sitting on it. <sup>3</sup> And the one who sat there had the appearance of jasper and ruby. A rainbow that shone like an emerald encircled the throne.

## The 24 Elders

<sup>4</sup> Surrounding the throne were twenty-four other thrones, and seated on them were twenty-four elders. They were dressed in white and had crowns of gold on their heads.

## The four living creatures

<sup>6</sup> Also in front of the throne there was what looked like a sea of glass, clear as crystal. In the center, around the throne, were four living creatures, and they were covered with eyes, in front and in back.

## The Lamb of God Revelation 5: 6-8

<sup>6</sup> Then I saw a Lamb, looking as if it had been slain, standing at the center of the throne, encircled by the four living creatures and the elders. The Lamb had seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits<sup>[a]</sup> of God sent out into all the earth. <sup>7</sup> He went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who sat on the throne.<sup>8</sup> And when he had taken it, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb. Each one had a harp and they were holding golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of God's people.

## The Angels Rev. 5: 11-12 An uncountable group

<sup>11</sup> Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders. <sup>12</sup> In a loud voice they were saying:
"Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!"

## What is the work that Angels do in Heaven

Hebrews 1:7 7 In speaking of the angels he says, "He makes his angels spirits, and his <u>servants</u> flames of fire."

Hebrews 1:14 <sup>14</sup> Are not all angels *ministering* spirits sent to serve those who will inherit salvation?

- The Angels working in harmony.
- All of them are engaged in ministry.
- They help believers, all the time!
- They are united in their loving service.
- They are organized and efficient, God's love order.

# Jesus' Example of Organization and Leadership.

<sup>30</sup> <u>The apostles gathered around Jesus and reported to him</u> all they had done and taught. <sup>31</sup> Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, "Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest."

<sup>32</sup> So they went away by themselves in a boat to a solitary place. <sup>33</sup> But many who saw them leaving recognized them and ran on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. <sup>34</sup> When Jesus arrived and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things. <sup>35</sup> By this time *it was late in the day*, so his disciples came to him. "This is a remote place," they said, "and it's already very late. <sup>36</sup> Send the people away so that they can go to the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat." What do you think about this solution?

## Jesus asked the disciples to feed the multitude.

<sup>37</sup> But he answered, "<u>You give them something to eat</u>." They said to him, "That would take more than half a year's wages! Are we to go and spend that much on bread and give it to them to eat?"

- God gives us the job, we develop solutions!!
- How about ask him: how I can accomplish this Lord?

<sup>38</sup> "<u>How many loaves do you have?</u>" he asked. "Go and see."
When they found out, they said, "Five loaves and two fish."
He is asking what do you have in your hand ?
What we have united with the divine power can bring great results.

<sup>39</sup> Then Jesus directed them to have all the people sit down in groups on the green grass. <sup>40</sup> So they sat down in groups of hundreds and fifties. <sup>41</sup> Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, He gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then He gave them to his disciples to distribute to the people. He also divided the two fish among them all. <sup>42</sup> They all ate and were satisfied,

 Organization and order is needed in ministry.
 What could happen if the Lord didn't ask the multitude to sit down and rest?

2. Human efforts need to be united with the divine power. What would happen if the disciples refuse to pass the food along? What would have happened if the people refused to pass the food along? 3. God will provide for our daily needs in a simple way. The question is what I want or what I need? 4. All members are needed at the church, we all can do our part to do the will of God.