

How to Know God's Will
God's Will and Our Circumstances
Romans 8:26-32

Life routinely presents us with confusing circumstances. The doctor finds something unusual during routine lab work. We are offered a promotion, but it requires us to travel. We are asked to serve in some way in our church, but our schedule is already too full. We obey what we sense God wants us to do, but we are inundated with criticism and opposition.

God works on our behalf—even in seemingly _____ circumstances.

1. We too often pray far _____ God's desires for us.
2. We too often think in terms of _____.
3. We too often believe God is _____ us.

When it comes to the role our circumstances play in God's will, we need to know that everything God does in our lives is driven by His love. When God allows difficult circumstances in our lives, we must view them through the lens of Calvary where God demonstrated His love for us through the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross. Jesus' situation seemed hopeless, but through that hopeless circumstance, God would offer salvation to the world.