

Submitting to God's Will

(Person comes before Jesus)

P (with strident, begging voice): Jesus, I need you to do this for me.

You've just got to come though on this.

This is so important!

You say you are all powerful and loving.

Well, this is a great way for you to show just how loving and powerful you are.

And it will really encourage me and build my faith in you.

(Pause – looks at Jesus expectantly) O, c'mon Jesus!

(P throws a tantrum – throws himself into the floor – pummels the air with his legs while crying out: 'Aaaaaaaah'. Pauses and looks at Jesus to see if he is responding, and then continues with his tantrum. Stops his tantrum, gets up and faces Jesus again)

P: Jesus, you're just not listening to me!

J: William, William, William. When I walked this earth the Devil tried to get me to submit to his will. If I had given in to him I would not be standing here today as your Lord and Saviour.

I am God, and I will not submit my will to yours.

It is you who needs to submit your will to mine.

William, put your trust in me. Give your life into my hands. Let me shepherd you. I am the Good Shepherd.

If you give your life into my hands, I will lead you beside still waters.

I will make you lie down in green pastures. I will restore your soul.

I will lead you along paths of righteousness, for your blessing and my glory.

I will lead you well through the valley of the shadow of death, if you let me. If you let me operate according to my wisdom, my love, my way, my will.

William, it's time to stop demanding from me.

Stop the begging. Stop trying to twist my arm behind my back. Stop the tantrums.

Stop aligning yourself with the Devil.

Submit your will to me, and let me be the Lord of your life.

Will you do that?

P: Jeus, I have always thought my name, William, meant: 'Will - I - Am. My will be done.' Now I know and declare that my name actually is: 'Will - I – am Yours'. Your will be done.

J: (facing congregation): That's my Will!

(Jesus and person embrace)