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The very food of his life, his greatest desire, was to do the will of Hashem—this is what Moshiach Ben Dovid says (Yn.4:32). Rav Shaul says, *So then do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the L-rd is* (Eph 5:17). He in fact did understand what the will of G-d was for his life, for the will of Hashem was that he be the Shliach of Moshiach (Eph.1:1; Ac 9:15-16; 13:2-3).

When I was 18 years old, graduating from high school, I had a strong desire to go to Pasadena, California. That is exactly where I would be, but not until 1971 in the will of G-d, because in 1961, when I first wanted to go there, Dr. Donald McGavran, my teacher and mentor and editor of some of my books, (see the *Biographical Dictionary* edited by Michael Walsh and published by Liturgical Press, Collegeville, Minnesota, which lists most of the great religious leaders of all time and includes his name, p.807), was still in Eugene, Oregon, and would not found his famous school that I would attend in Pasadena until four years later. In the sovereignty of G-d, two years after he arrived in Pasadena, a revival began world-wide among the Jewish people, because Jerusalem was no longer trodden down by the Gentiles (see Six Day War, Lk 21:24, on page xi in the *Translator's Preface of The Orthodox Jewish Bible*). What I am illustrating is this point: when we do the work of G-d, we can expect the guidance of G-d, that Hashem will show us how to keep

walking in His will, according to the path He has set for us. For example, the Shlichim of Moshiach knew that it was the will of Hashem for them to go into Europe and by-pass, for the time being, any further travel into Turkey (Ac 16:6). However, later, they did go farther into that region of Turkey, in the will of G-d. It was not the will of the L-rd for me to go from Oakland City, Indiana, to Pasadena, California, in 1961; however, it was the will of G-d in 1971. And so I went from my Ten Year High School Class Reunion in Oakland City Indiana to Chicago, Illinois, and then on to Pasadena, California in the summer of 1971, at last born again and called to the ministry. In just the same way we need to seek and walk in the will of G-d every day, even today.

Sometimes it is the will of G-d for us to suffer (1K 3:17). When I was walking on the highway in 1978, weeping, desolate, alone, homeless, I still had my Bible. When I opened it my eyes fell on the passage in 1Kgs chapter 17 and 18. The passage spoke of a free room and also it said, *Arise, go to Zarephath...and stay there.* As you can see above, I saved the business cards because they are signs from the L-rd of His faithfulness in providing a free room and free office space, and these precious little cards are useful for preaching and witnessing to widows and orphans in their distress (Ya 1:27) in the homeless shelter, where penniless people (I had 23

cents that Labor Day night in 1978) can be exhorted to call on the Name of the L-rd (as I did and He provided me a free motel room and a free office in Zarephath for many months), then sent me to Haipha, Israel (where Mt Carmel is—see IKgs 18:19) to do THE RABBI FROM TARSUS for Israelis. But I had already gone up by revelation to Crown Heights, Brooklyn, in 1975 to see the area where some two decades later a dead rabbi would be declared the Moshiach, and I was already translating the Bible, THE ORTHODOX JEWISH BIBLE, just for this particular people group of misled and lost Jewish people.

If you love the word of G-d and treasure it in your heart, its wisdom will keep you from missing the will of G-d by falling into sin (Palm 119), and it says of these holy, inspired words of Scripture...that *when you walk, they will guide you; when you sleep, they will watch over you; when you awake, they will speak to you* (Prov 6:22). The Scripture says, I delight to do Your will, O my G-d; Your Law is within my heart (Ps 40:8). The more the Word of G-d becomes part of us, part of our thinking and dreaming and desiring, the more the Word of G-d is the very milk we cry for, the very meat we crave, then the more *we can delight ourselves in the L-rd* and He will give you *the desires of your heart* (Psalm 37) and keep you in His perfect will.