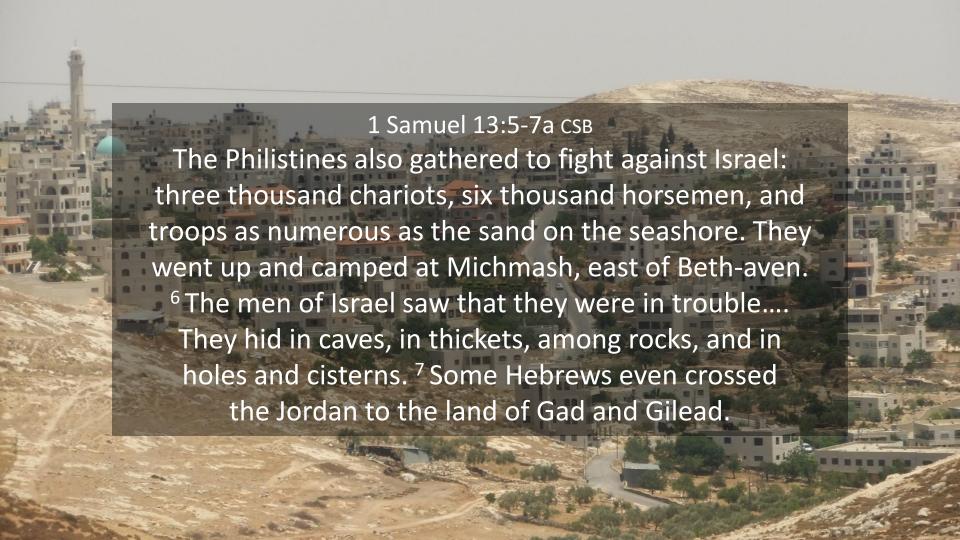


God doesn't want to destroy our will or annihilate our personal kingdom, he wants us to trust him enough to willingly – and wisely – place our will and our kingdom under the influence of his will and his kingdom.



1 Samuel 13:13-14 CSB
Samuel said to Saul, "You have been foolish.
You have not kept the command the LORD your God gave you.
It was at this time that the LORD would have permanently established your reign over Israel,

14 but now your reign will not endure.

The LORD has found a man after his own heart, and the LORD has appointed him as ruler over his people, because you have not done what the LORD commanded."

as t "...a man after d my own heart, o who will carry out all my will."



"We want life on our conditions, not on God's conditions." Eugene Peterson, Working the Angles "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work." John 4:34 CSB "For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me."

John 6:38 CSB

"My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will."

Matthew 26:39 CSB

"...I do not seek my own will, but the will of him who sent me." John 5:30b CSB "For whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother." Mark 3:35 ESV And the world is passing away along with its desires, but whoever does the will of God abides forever.

1 John 2:17 ESV

"Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven."

Matthew 7:21 ESV

For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will of God you may receive what is promised.

Hebrews 10:36 ESV

Jesus is not opting for salvation by works,

"When he speaks of 'doing the will' of the Father,

but pointing to the importance of conforming to God's way...."

Leon Morris, *The Gospel According to Matthew*

katergazomai "to carry out a task until it is finished"

energeo
to be actively
and effectively
at work in

Philippians 2:12b-13 MOUNCE

...continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling,

¹³ for it is God who is at work in you,

thelo
to choose,
to determine,
to purpose,

on behalf of his good pleasure.

I labor for this, striving with his strength that works powerfully in me.

Hebrews 13:20-21 ESV

Now may the God of peace

who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant,

²¹ equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight,

through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

Amen.

Make it your aim to learn what pleases our Lord. Ephesians 5:10 VOICE