

Dying to Self

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To fulfill God's will, we must let go of our selfish desires and be transformed by the renewing of our minds.

Scripture: Romans 12:2

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Description

Mary Wilder Tileston preaches about the importance of being transformed by renewing our minds to understand and fulfill the perfect will of God, as exemplified by Jesus' willingness to drink the cup given by the Father. She highlights how our unconscious attachment to self can hinder us from fully surrendering to God's will, leading us to seek comfort in ways contrary to His plan. Tileston emphasizes the need to seek nothing but God's will to experience perfect peace, even in the midst of trials.

Transcript

The cup which my Father hath given me, shall I not drink?

--JOHN 18:11

Be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God.

--ROMANS 12:2

WE are often greatly hindered in the fulfilment of our duties by an unconscious clinging to self, which holds us back from God, and which leads us to seek our rest in something other than the simple fulfilment of His most holy will. If we honestly sought nothing save His will, we should always be in a state of perfect peace, let what may happen. But, very often, even when we ask that God's will may be done, we still wish it to be done after our fashion.

--PÉRE HYACINTHE BESSON

When we are fully delivered from the influence of selfish considerations, and have become conformed to the desires and purposes of the Infinite Mind, we shall drink the cup, and drink it cheerfully, whatever it may be. In a word, we shall necessarily be submissive and happy in all trials, and in every change and diversity of situation. Not because we are seeking happiness, or thinking of happiness, as a distinct object, but because the glorious will of Him whom our soul loves supremely, is accomplished in us.

--THOMAS C. UPHAM

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