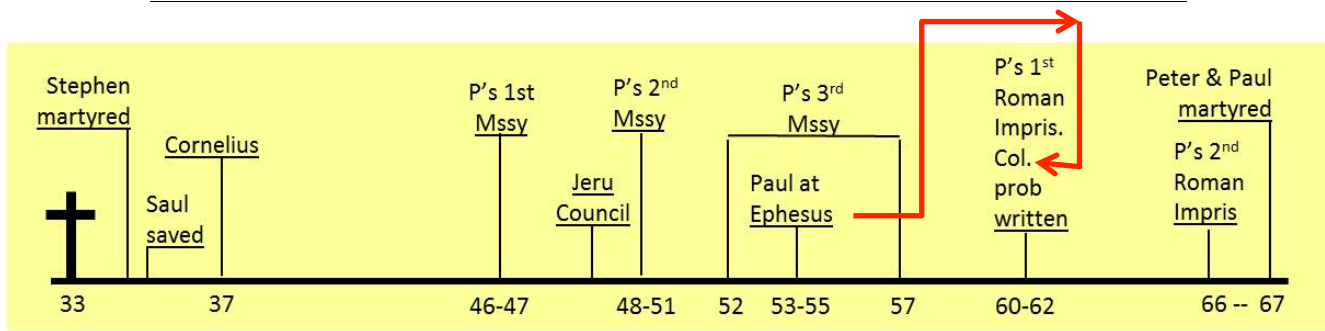


Colossians 1:9-12

For this reason also, since the day we heard of it,
we have not ceased to pray for you and to ask that
you may be filled with the knowledge of His will
in all spiritual wisdom and understanding
so that you may walk in a manner worthy of the Lord—
to please Him in all respects,
bearing fruit in every good work,
and increasing in the knowledge of God,
strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might,
for all endurance and patience with joy,
giving thanks to the Father
who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

God's Character:

Who...?



Some other occurrences of the “will of God”

- ...be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may discern what is the good, pleasing, and perfect **will of God**. (Rom. 12:2)
- ...He intercedes for the saints according to the **will of God**. (Rom. 8:27)
- Epaphras, who is one of your number, a bonds slave of Jesus Christ, sends you his greetings, always laboring earnestly for you in his prayers, that you may stand perfect and fully assured in all the **will of God**. (Col. 4:12)
- For this is the will of God, your sanctification; (1 Thess. 4:3)
- For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the **will of God**, you may receive what was promised. (Heb. 10:36)
- The world is passing away, and also its lusts; but the one who does the **will of God** lives forever. (1 Jn 2:17)
- See also Eph 6:6; 1 Pe 4:2;

Some other references to “good work”

- "Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your **good works**, and glorify your Father who is in heaven. (Mt 5:16)
- For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for **good works**, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them. (Eph. 2:10)
- Likewise, *I want* women to adorn themselves... by means of **good works**, as is proper for women making a claim to godliness. (1 Tim. 2:9-10)
- *Instruct them* to do good, to be rich in **good works**, to be generous and ready to share... (1 Tim. 6:18)
- Therefore, if anyone cleanses himself from these *things*, he will be a vessel for honor, sanctified, useful to the Master, prepared for every **good work**. (2 Tim. 2:21)
- See also 2 Thess 2:16-17; 2 Tim 3:17; 2 Tim 5:9-10