



# How to Receive the Desires of Your Heart



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Have you ever had God tell you to do something, and you just didn't want to do it?

I remember back when God spoke to me and said, "Start a church in New York."

I responded, "Yeah, that ain't happening."



I wasn't interested in being a preacher. Besides, have you seen my last name?

I had a different plan. I was going to play pro football and coast the rest of my life.

But then Psalm 37:4 became real to me: "Delight thyself also in the Lord: and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart" (*KJV*).



When most people read that verse, they conclude that it means after they give the Holy Spirit their wish lists, all they need to do is delight themselves in Him and—*what do you know!*—they'll get everything on their lists.

*Please.*

The Holy Ghost isn't Santa Claus, even if sometimes we treat Him like that.



When you build a relationship with the Holy Spirit, the desires of your heart are shaped and created *in accordance with your delight in Him.*

**Delight *shapes* desire.**

You'll find that foolish wish list will fall away as your desires are shaped into His will.



Once I delighted myself in the Lord, my desires changed. And then my plans changed.

John 15:7 (*KJV*) says, “If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.”

When you spend time in God’s Word, that Word settles inside you and shapes your desire—and that’s going to shape what you ask for.



God wants to give us more than we can imagine, but too many times we accept less.

Don't accept what you can gain by your own ability and power. Instead, put your trust...and delight yourself...in Him.



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