



We read in Philippians 2:13, "...for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure."

We begin this week where we ended last week. In this verse from Paul's letter to the Philippians, we can see two of God's actions: giving first the will to do, and then the ability to act. The one working by the Lord clearly precedes the other. So the question follows: how is our will to act on behalf of Mission 1-1-1?

If we say that our personal will and, from what we can observe, our congregational will could use some improvement or development, what do we do about that? The articles that appear here weekly serve the purpose of strengthening our collective and individual will on behalf of this Mission 1-1-1 campaign. As you may recall, two of the tactical objectives are to saturate with Scripture and surround with communication. We know that God works His plan in us through our following His Word, and participating in Christ, the Word made flesh for us and given to us in Divine Worship through His true Body and Blood. These are how God works His purpose in us, both to save and to sanctify us. If we have this portion right, the acting on this will should follow. The acting is simply a matter of the discipline to follow through on what we know we can and should do, consistently, weekly, completely.

If we feel our discipline in execution is falling short, we can be encouraged by the Lord's answer for us here, too: *"And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus."* Philippians 4:19