

A close-up, slightly blurred photograph of a white ceramic cup filled with dark coffee. A silver spoon rests on the rim of the cup. The background is dark and out of focus.

Taking Sides With Papa's Desires

“And going a little ahead he fell on the ground and prayed that, if it is possible, the hour might pass him by, And said, “Abba,”—Father—“for you all things are possible; take this cup away from me; yet not what I will, but rather what you will.” *Mark 14:35-36* TNT-DBH

Can We Know God's Desires?

Are We Able And Willing To Share Them?

“Be of that mind in yourselves that was also in the Anointed One Jesus...”

Phil 2:5 TNT-DBH

Papa's Desires and Intentions for Every Person

1 Timothy 2:1-6 DBH 1 First of all, therefore, I encourage petitions, prayers, intercessions, thanksgivings to be made on behalf of all human beings, 2 On behalf of kings and of all who hold preeminence, so that we might lead a tranquil and quiet life in all piety and solemnity. 3 This is a good and acceptable thing before our savior God, 4 Who intends all human beings to be saved and to come to a full knowledge of truth. 5 For there is one God, and also one mediator of God and human beings: a human being, the Anointed One Jesus, 6 Who gave himself as a liberation fee for all persons, the proof rendered at their own proper times...

Papa Desires and Intentions Confirmed

2 Peter 3:7-9 DBH 7 And by that same word now the heavens and earth are stored up for fire, reserved for a day of judgment and of ruin for the impious among human beings. 8 But do not let this one thing be concealed from you, beloved ones: that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years and a thousand years as a single day. 9 The Lord is not delaying what is promised, as some reckon delay, but is magnanimous toward you, intending for no one to perish, but rather for all to advance to a change of heart.

God's Desires Regarding All Men Are...

- 1) **Be Saved** [*sozo: saved, healed, delivered, kept, made whole*]
- 2) **Not Perish** [*apollumi: apo=kept away from & ollumi=ruin, punishment, destruction, loss, being mared, perishing*]
- 3) **Come to a full, experiential knowledge of the truth (Truth?)** [*epiginoskin*]
- 4) **Come into a change of heart (repentance)** [*metanoian*]

Apostle Paul's Reasoning and Judgment

¹⁴ “For the love of the Anointed constrains us, having reached this judgment: that one died on behalf of all; all then have died; ¹⁵ And he died on behalf of all so that the living should live no longer for themselves, but for the one who has died and been raised on their behalf...”

2 Cor 5:14-15 TNT-DBH

Apostle Paul's Response

¹⁶“Thus, from now on, we know no one according to the flesh, even though we have known the Anointed—yet know him now no longer—according to flesh. ¹⁷ Hence if anyone is in the Anointed he is a new creation; the old things have passed away; look: They have become new...”

2 Cor 5:16-17 TNT-DBH

Apostle Paul's Identity

18 And all things come out of God, who through the Anointed has reconciled us to himself, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation: 19 So that God was in the Anointed reconciling the cosmos to himself, not accounting their trespasses to them, and placing in us the word of reconciliation...”

2 Cor 5:18-19 TNT-DBH

Apostle Paul's Ministry from Identity

20 Therefore, we are ambassadors on the Anointed's behalf, of such a kind that God makes supplication through us: for the sake of the Anointed, we implore, be reconciled to God.

21 For our sake he made the one who knew no sin into sin, so that in him we might become God's righteousness..."

2 Cor 5:20-21 TNT-DBH

Thoughts on Context:

What are we not required to believe...

Tonight's Two-Part Question...

How Can We and Will We Share God's Desires/Intentions?

Notes and Questions