

## DAY 4: CAN AND WILL

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I absolutely love Philippians 4:19 and how easily it reads! And I admire that Paul is completely confident in what God *will* do. He didn't merely imply that God could do it, he emphatically stated, **MY GOD WILL!** You can certainly tell that Paul is speaking from a personal experience of knowing God, understanding His character, and trusting His ways. This sets an example for us and how we should continuously cultivate a relationship with the Lord by having true fellowship and companionship with Him. And when we reach that place, it is at that point that we can then shift our spirit from merely thinking that God **can** supply all your need to God **will** supply all my need!

All throughout scripture we have constant assurance and evidence that God will provide for us, no matter what our *need* is. Whether it is spiritual, physical, emotional, relational, or financial, God will not withhold any good thing from His children. We read about this type of care again in Matthew 6:26-33; telling us if God even cares for the grass of the field and the birds of the air, how much more will He provide for us? Furthermore, in Ephesians 3:20 we read that God "is able to do immeasurably more than we can ask, think, or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us." This scripture clearly proves that God will not only provide the basic care for His children, but He will do much more. And it's not according to our ability, it is according to His riches in Christ Jesus. How incredible is it to know that God can, God will, and by His divine power, has supplied everything we need for life and godliness (2 Peter 1:3)?

Be encouraged, God's power is not limited! So we must not approach trials or tribulations that we may face with any mindset other than MY GOD SHALL! Let's not compare our human limitations to God's inexhaustibility. Instead we must posture ourselves in complete confidence, knowing that He will do it! It does not matter the size of your struggle or situation, your God will supply whatever you need. Just ask!

**Prayer:** Dear Heavenly Father, I am so thankful that You are aware of all that I have need of. I relinquish the burden of trying to meet my own needs, in my own power. I know that without You I am nothing and can do nothing. I choose to trust You fully to supply everything that I need, no matter what my circumstance is or how difficult it seems. Your Word declares over and over again, therefore I place my full trust in You. I know that there is no deficit or lack to those that love You and fear Your Name. I receive Your abundant and generous provision over my life. I believe that You are working all things together for my good and I hold fast to every promise contained in Your Word. In Jesus' Name, Amen!

**Scripture Readings:** Philippians 4:19, Matthew 6:26-33, Ephesians 3:20, 2 Peter 1:3

Thought Question:

What are some things that you need to declare "my God shall" over?

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