

Volition

1. Definition: Volition is the act or ability to make decisions, choices, and is linked to the mentality, self-consciousness, emotion, and conscience.
 - A. Faith is that capacity to believe that which is taught; volition is the capacity to choose or reject that which is understood or taught.
 - B. Volition must follow God's order of things for happiness. If God says don't commit adultery then it is more happiness for you in the long run if you don't.
 - C. Volition must have information in order to function.
 - D. Volition is the first divine institution in the human race and volition has to be directed through information.
 1. Volition is ruler of marriage, family, government.

Romans 1:16, man has volitional freewill because God gave it to all mankind. God activates volition to be God-conscious.

John 7:17, Christ's volition is to obey the Father. The epitome of volition is to glorify the Son, please the Father.

Romans 7:18; John 3:36.
 - E. Each third class condition of IF is an expression of freewill.
 - F. Man's freewill can be influenced by outside factors from others, old Sin nature, world, devil.
 1. You can choose to agree with the plan of God which is positive volition or disagree which is negative volition.
 - G. When the will of God is not personally accomplished in the believer's life it indicates negative volition on the part of man to reject His plan. 1 Timothy 2:4, He desires that all men to be saved and to know truth.
 - H. Prayer is a manufacturer of positive volition, proclaiming doctrine to

the Lord; your application insures positive volition, Jude 1:20.

1. Repent is used for the Jews—change attitude towards Christ concerning what it says about Him in the Mosaic Law.
 2. Gentiles have to believe for they did not have the Law.
- I. Christ chose to come and die on the cross, Isaiah 53:11-12, from His own freewill, Hebrews 10:7-10.
 - J. The individual is to stay positive to doctrine and the way of life of grace will be revealed to him, Colossians 2:6-7.
 1. Once a person accepts the truth of the Word of God it becomes a magnet attracting the individual.
 2. Once freewill is used to disagree with God, then the individual goes negative, sin cycles start and lust takes over the body and there are reactions to doctrine and a frantic search for happiness.
2. Colossians 2:6, object of volition is the issue that is important: Christ, doctrine.
 - A. Lock yourself into positive volition on earth by living doctrine daily, and strengthening your positive volition.
 - B. Your way of life keeps you positive.